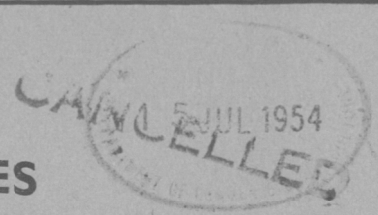
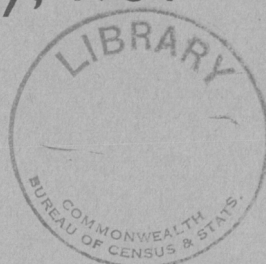


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Period	Employment : Wage and Salary Earners (excluding rural workers, females in private domestic service, and defence forces) *			Wages and Salaries Paid (Weekly Average) *	New Houses and Flats : Private and Government	
	Males	Females	Persons		Approved	Completed
Year :	Number at end of period—thousands			£ thousand	Number of Dwelling Units	
1938-39	529.9	168.0	697.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1946-47	674.8	252.1	923.9	5,838	28,327	12,344
1947-48	702.3	261.9	964.2	6,976	29,676	15,415
1948-49	721.4†	269.9†	991.3†	8,133	33,117	18,758
1949-50	740.8	278.5	1,019.3	9,018	35,029	19,841
1950-51	758.2	291.0	1,049.2	11,385	37,988	20,737
1951-52	754.4	270.5	1,024.9	14,364	24,419	24,576
1952-53	734.3	266.2	1,000.5	15,090	23,156	26,504
1953 : Jan.	723.9	262.3	986.2	14,241	1,736	6,721
Feb.	728.6	265.2	993.8		2,175	
Mar.	731.8	266.4	998.2	15,456	2,457	6,406
Apr.	732.3	266.8	999.1		2,215	
May	734.1	266.6	1,000.7	15,654	2,132	6,262
June	734.3	266.2	1,000.5		2,416	
July	733.0	266.8	999.8	16,753	2,738	7,764
Aug.	733.3	268.1	1,001.4		2,831	
Sept.	735.4	269.7	1,005.1	16,753	2,924	7,764
Oct.	740.0	272.2	1,012.2		3,083	
Nov.	745.0	276.7	1,021.7	16,753	2,731	7,764
Dec.	747.8	278.8	1,026.6		2,638	
1954 : Jan.	748.1	277.0	1,025.1	15,303	2,108	6,209
Feb.	749.9	277.6	1,027.5		1,860	
Mar.	753.2	279.4	1,032.6	15,303	2,225	6,209
Apr.	753.8	278.6	1,032.4		2,479	
May	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.		n.y.a.	

Table No. :—	31.	37.		41.		43.
Period	Wool Sold at Auction *	Oversea Trade (Merchandise only)		Major Private Trading Banks		Savings Bank Deposits
		Imports	Exports	Deposits	Advances	
	£ thousand	£A million, f.o.b.		At end of period—£ million		
Year : 1938-39	15,521	49.9	37.7	117.1	120.5	87.5
1946-47	32,910	93.0	116.5	244.3	116.5	231.4
1947-48	52,972	150.4	134.7	265.4	142.9	237.0
1948-49	67,331	177.2	176.6	301.3	150.4	244.5
1949-50	107,714	214.0	216.6	394.0	166.2	258.9
1950-51	228,204	301.7	325.6	467.9	197.9	284.5
1951-52	105,261	425.8	193.9	413.6	276.0	304.5
1952-53	151,348	206.9	249.6	448.6	243.7	319.1
1953: Jan.	11,267	19.3	19.8	434.1	246.5	311.8
Feb.	18,820	17.7	22.0	448.9	243.5	312.7
Mar.	17,849	18.0	28.6	461.0	238.4	313.8
Apr.	6,169	19.4	22.2	466.3	238.4	313.3
May	10,095	16.5	20.1	457.7	237.6	312.7
June	12,548	15.4	21.9	448.6	243.7	319.1
July	453	21.7	21.5	437.0	252.2	320.4
Aug.	2,208	19.3†	12.3	432.1	250.0	322.6
Sept.	19,594	21.3	17.6	435.0	256.3	325.2
Oct.	19,593	19.9	25.6	445.7	267.7	325.8
Nov.	18,447	20.4	26.5	462.0	274.8	326.2
Dec.	11,501	23.8	26.0	477.3	272.8	327.7
1954: Jan.	11,212	24.5	19.0	483.5	261.5	329.4
Feb.	19,319	18.0	16.4	496.7	262.3	332.3
Mar.	19,799	29.6	29.8	505.2	263.7	331.3
Apr.	1,689	21.4	22.7	501.8	269.3	332.2
May	11,976	22.0	15.6	491.8	274.5	333.3

* See notes to relevant table.
restrictions.

† May, 1949 ; June affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power

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14.		18.	23.	23.	23.	Table No.
N.S.W. Government Railways		New Cars, Taxis, Buses and Lorries, etc. Registered	Coal Production	Electricity Generated	Ingot Steel Production	Period
Passenger Journeys	Goods (ex- cluding live- stock) Carried					
Millions	Thousand tons	Number	Thousand tons	Mill. kWh.	Thousand tons	1938-39: Year
186.7	14,679	28,335	11,196||	1,948	1,168**	1938-39: Year
261.6	16,539	13,608	11,212	3,229	1,312**	1946-47
263.0	17,407	26,200	11,780	3,546	1,343**	1947-48
263.1	16,903	37,665	11,736	3,717	1,129	1948-49
258.2	15,890	61,666	11,290	3,758	1,266	1949-50
268.6	17,131	76,172	12,683	4,241	1,405	1950-51
248.2	18,528	67,448	14,800	4,628	1,473	1951-52
271.7	17,877	50,057	14,290	4,868	1,846	1952-53
22.1	1,322	3,267	843r	372	153	Jan. : 1953
21.5	1,395	3,879	1,185r	371	141	Feb.
24.0	1,571	4,661	1,228	424	160	Mar.
22.7	1,402	4,220	1,062	402	155	Apr.
22.8	1,430	4,494	1,028	433	168	May
24.5	1,517	4,320	1,075	447	168	June
22.1	1,794	5,299	1,426	467	184	July
24.0	1,679	4,305	1,345	448	183	Aug.
22.4	1,700	5,386	1,356r	434	167	Sept.
22.7	1,638	5,663	1,350r	439	184	Oct.
24.1	1,636	5,788	1,284r	424	178	Nov.
22.6	1,455	6,057	993r	414	163	Dec.
22.8	1,459	3,925	915r	408	176	Jan. : 1954
22.8	1,424	4,377	1,136r	395	148	Feb.
24.5	1,781	6,235	1,416r	464	175	Mar.
23.2	1,484	5,544r	1,168p	436	173	Apr.
n.y.a.	n.y.a.	6,086	1,250p	n.y.a.	183	May

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Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts.*	Sydney Stock Exchange Share Values	Real Estate Transfers and Conveyances	Wholesale Prices (Aust.) Index *	Retail Prices : Total " C " Series Index (Sydney)*	Basic Wage, Sydney Adult Males *	Period
Weekly Average —£ million.	Index *	£ thousand	Average 1936-37 to 1938-39 = 100	Wtd. Av. for 6 Capitals in 1923-27 = 1000	s. per week	1938-39: Year
n.a.	175.6	35,272	101	928	81††	1938-39: Year
58	240.0	57,899	143	1182	108††	1946-47
69	262.6	60,202	159	1259	114††	1947-48
83	258.2	62,229	181	1378	124††	1948-49
105	270.0	125,952	205	1504	135††	1949-50
145	334.1	192,311	246	1729	173††	1950-51
157	301.0	179,581	300	2140	216††	1951-52
152	253.1	143,909	320	2327	238††	1952-53
125	253.6	9,951	318	2338	237	Jan. : 1953
156	255.0	11,630	316		238	Feb.
162	255.6	13,072	317	2360	238	Mar.
150	252.5	12,519	322		238	Apr.
157	251.9	14,189	321	2388	241	May
160	254.4	13,418	322		241	June
164	258.0	15,631	325	2385	241	July
146	262.7	14,395	335		243	Aug.
168	264.4	15,614	333	2391	243	Sept.
168	261.7	14,930	329		243	Oct.
173	261.0	15,004	321	2391	243	Nov.
186	264.1	15,070	317p		243	Dec.
152	271.6	13,594	317p	2391	243	Jan. : 1954
165	273.3	12,944	316p		243	Feb.
185	273.0	18,395	316p	2391	243	Mar.
166	268.6	16,008	316p		243	Apr.
183	271.4	18,840	317p		243	May

†† Year ended 31st December, 1939.

** Year ended 31st May.

†† Operative from February.

2. Wage and Salary Earners : Employment by Principal Industrial Groups in N.S.W.

(See notes above Table 3.)

Month	Mining and Quarrying	Factories †	Building and Construction	Transport and Communication	Finance and Property	Wholesale Trade, etc.	Retail Trade	Professional and Personal Services ‡	Total Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Employment*
Thousands									
MALES									
1939: July	24.7	158.8	57.9	77.4	.....	59.0	.....	44.0	529.9
1945: June	24.5	214.8	32.5	85.2	11.3	24.3	30.1	45.4	536.0
1946: June	25.8	236.3	44.1	96.8	16.5	33.4	40.6	56.1	618.5
1948: June	28.1	265.2	60.1	107.9	19.5	39.8	49.3	64.7	702.3
1950: June	28.1	277.2	67.9	114.4	21.2	45.2	50.3	67.2	740.8
1951: June	29.6	282.4	73.1	114.1	21.8	47.9	51.0	67.2	758.2
1952: June	31.6	274.7	76.1	115.2	22.0	47.3	49.0	67.2	754.4
1953: June	31.1	272.2	63.3	113.5	22.2	46.2	48.8	67.1	734.3
1952: Nov.	32.0	264.7	64.5	112.6	21.8	46.6	48.8	66.3	728.8
Dec.	31.7	263.9	62.9	112.7	22.0	46.5	49.8	66.3	727.1
1953: Jan.	31.6	265.0	60.1	112.9	22.0	46.3	48.7	66.6	723.9
Feb.	31.5	267.4	62.0	113.0	22.1	46.7	48.6	66.8	728.6
Mar.	31.3	269.6	62.3	113.0	22.2	46.7	48.7	67.3	731.8
Apr.	31.2	270.7	62.8	112.7	22.2	46.1	48.6	67.2	732.3
1953: Nov.	30.6	278.6	63.9	113.0	21.8	48.0	50.8	67.4	745.0
Dec.	30.6	279.1	64.2	113.2	22.0	47.8	52.5	67.6	747.8
1954: Jan.	30.6	279.8	64.5	114.0	22.0	48.1	50.5	67.9	748.1
Feb.	30.8	281.3	65.0	113.8	22.2	48.4	49.9	67.8	749.9
Mar.	30.8	281.4	66.7	114.3	22.4	48.7	50.1	68.0	753.2
Apr.	30.8	282.2	67.6	113.7	22.4	48.2	50.3	67.7	753.8
FEMALES									
1939: July	0.1	59.3	0.5	4.2	.....	8.5	.....	36.0	168.0
1945: June	0.2	86.9	0.7	14.5	10.7	10.3	37.5	69.8	247.9
1946: June	0.2	82.3	0.9	13.0	10.1	10.9	39.1	73.3	262.3
1948: June	0.2	90.2	1.1	13.9	10.9	12.9	43.0	79.6	261.9
1950: June	0.3	97.2	1.3	15.3	12.6	14.3	43.7	83.1	278.5
1951: June	0.3	102.0	1.5	16.1	13.9	16.0	45.9	83.9	291.0
1952: June	0.4	84.2	1.7	15.7	14.6	15.7	42.8	83.6	270.5
1953: June	0.3	86.0	1.8	14.0	14.2	15.1	41.0	82.2	266.2
1952: Nov.	0.3	82.7	1.8	14.3	14.1	15.5	41.5	82.1	264.0
Dec.	0.3	81.6	1.7	14.0	14.1	15.1	43.8	82.3	264.5
1953: Jan.	0.3	81.6	1.7	14.1	14.3	15.1	41.5	82.1	262.3
Feb.	0.3	84.2	1.7	14.1	14.4	15.2	41.2	82.6	265.2
Mar.	0.3	85.3	1.7	14.1	14.4	15.2	41.1	82.8	266.4
Apr.	0.4	85.6	1.8	14.0	14.2	15.2	41.1	83.1	266.8
1953: Nov.	0.3	91.6	1.9	13.9	14.2	16.0	44.4	82.9	276.7
Dec.	0.3	91.4	1.9	13.8	14.4	15.8	46.6	83.0	278.8
1954: Jan.	0.3	91.2	1.9	13.9	14.6	15.9	44.7	82.9	277.0
Feb.	0.3	92.4	1.9	14.0	14.9	16.0	42.8	83.7	277.6
Mar.	0.3	93.5	2.0	14.1	15.0	16.3	42.9	83.7	279.4
Apr.	0.3	92.8	2.0	14.2	15.1	16.2	42.5	83.9	278.6
PERSONS									
1939: July	24.8	218.1	58.4	81.6	.....	67.5	.....	80.0	697.9
1945: June	24.7	301.7	33.2	99.7	22.0	34.6	67.6	115.2	783.9
1946: June	26.0	318.6	45.0	109.8	26.6	44.3	79.7	129.4	860.8
1948: June	28.3	355.4	61.2	121.8	30.4	52.7	92.3	144.3	964.2
1950: June	28.4	374.4	69.2	129.7	33.8	59.5	94.0	150.3	1,019.3
1951: June	29.9	384.4	74.6	130.2	35.7	63.9	96.9	151.1	1,049.2
1952: June	32.0	358.9	77.8	130.9	36.6	63.0	91.8	150.8	1,024.9
1953: June	30.4	358.2	65.1	127.5	36.4	61.3	89.8	149.3	1,000.5
1952: Nov.	32.3	347.4	66.3	126.9	35.9	62.1	90.3	148.4	992.8
Dec.	32.0	345.5	64.6	126.7	36.1	61.6	93.6	148.6	991.6
1953: Jan.	31.9	346.6	61.8	127.0	36.3	61.4	90.2	148.7	986.2
Feb.	31.8	351.6	63.7	127.1	36.5	61.9	89.8	149.4	993.8
Mar.	31.6	354.9	64.0	127.1	36.6	61.9	89.8	150.1	998.2
Apr.	31.6	356.3	64.6	126.7	36.4	61.3	89.7	150.3	999.1
1953: Nov.	30.9	370.2	65.8	126.9	36.0	64.0	95.2	150.3	1,021.7
Dec.	30.9	370.5	66.1	127.0	36.4	63.6	99.1	150.6	1,026.6
1954: Jan.	30.9	371.0	66.4	127.9	36.6	64.0	95.2	150.8	1,025.1
Feb.	31.1	373.7	66.9	128.0	37.1	64.4	92.7	151.5	1,027.5
Mar.	31.1	374.9	68.7	128.4	37.4	65.0	93.0	151.7	1,032.6
Apr.	31.1	375.0	69.6	127.9	37.5	64.4	92.8	151.6	1,032.4

* Including miscellaneous groups (70,900 males, 11,600 females, 82,500 persons in April, 1954) not shown in the table.
 † From July, 1949, subject to revision.
 ‡ Include Education, Health, Law, Hotels and Restaurants, and other Professional and Personal Services.

3. Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Employment in N.S.W.—Governmental and Private

(Excluding Rural Workers, Females in Private Domestic Service and Defence Forces.)

(1) Particulars in Tables 2 and 3 are estimates based on the National Register of 1939, the Civilian Register of 1943, and the Occupation Survey of 1945, and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth pay-roll taxation and by governmental authorities.

(2) The Pay-roll Tax returns show the number of employees whose names appeared on the last pay-roll of the month, irrespective of whether they were actually working at the end of the month.

(3) Workers in rural industry, females in private domestic service, members of the full-time defence forces at home or abroad, and National Service Trainees in camp are excluded.

Month	Government Authorities*			Private Employment			Total Employment		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Thousands—									
1939 : July	136.5	19.4	155.9	393.4	148.6	542.0	529.9	168.0	697.9
1943 : June	157.1	45.1	202.2	368.0	209.3	577.3	525.1	254.4	779.5
1945 : June	156.0	43.6	199.6	380.0	204.3	584.3	536.0	247.9	783.9
1946 : June	169.0	33.4	202.4	449.5	208.9	658.4	618.5	242.3	860.8
1947 : June	178.2	32.3	210.5	493.6	219.8	713.4	671.8	252.1	923.9
1948 : June	186.1	33.6	219.7	516.2	228.3	744.5	702.3	261.9	964.2
1949 : May†	193.8	35.7	229.5	527.6	234.2	761.8	721.4	269.9	991.3
1950 : June	202.7	39.1	241.8	538.1	239.4	777.5	740.8	278.5	1,019.3
1951 : June	207.2	41.4	248.6	551.0	249.6	800.6	758.2	291.0	1,049.2
1952 : Apr.	212.5	42.2	254.7	548.4	234.9	783.3	760.9	277.1	1,038.0
May	213.7	42.0	255.7	542.7	232.3	775.0	756.4	274.3	1,030.7
June	214.0	41.9	255.9	540.4	228.6	769.0	754.4	270.5	1,024.9
July	214.3	41.8	256.1	533.9	226.1	760.0	748.2	267.9	1,016.1
Aug.	213.1	41.3	254.4	528.0	224.0	752.0	741.1	265.3	1,006.4
Sept.	211.5	40.6	252.1	523.8	223.2	747.0	735.3	263.8	999.1
Oct.	207.1	39.8	246.9	523.2	223.8	747.0	730.3	263.6	993.9
Nov.	205.5	39.6	245.1	523.3	224.4	747.7	728.8	264.0	992.8
Dec.	205.0	39.0	244.0	522.1	225.5	747.6	727.1	264.5	991.6
1953 : Jan.	201.3	39.0	240.3	522.6	223.3	745.9	723.9	262.3	986.2
Feb.	203.7	39.6	243.3	524.9	225.6	750.5	728.6	265.2	993.8
Mar.	205.0	39.4	244.4	526.8	227.0	753.8	731.8	266.4	998.2
Apr.	205.4	39.3	244.7	526.9	227.5	754.4	732.3	266.8	999.1
May	206.3	39.3	245.6	527.8	227.3	755.1	734.1	266.6	1,000.7
June	206.8	39.3	246.1	527.5	226.9	754.4	734.3	266.2	1,000.5
July	206.4	39.4	245.8	526.6	227.4	754.0	733.0	266.8	999.8
Aug.	206.2	39.3	245.5	527.1	228.8	755.9	733.3	268.1	1,001.4
Sept.	206.2	39.0	245.2	529.2	230.5	759.7	735.4	269.7	1,005.1
Oct.	206.2	39.0	245.2	533.8	233.2	767.0	740.0	272.2	1,012.2
Nov.	207.2	39.0	246.2	537.8	237.7	775.5	745.0	276.7	1,021.7
Dec.	207.9	38.9	246.8	539.9	239.9	779.8	747.8	278.8	1,026.6
1954 : Jan.	207.2	38.9	246.1	540.9	238.1	779.0	748.1	277.0	1,025.1
Feb.	208.1	39.7	247.8	541.8	237.9	779.7	749.9	277.6	1,027.5
Mar.	209.2	39.7	248.9	544.0	239.7	783.7	753.2	279.4	1,032.6
Apr.	209.4	39.9	249.3	544.4	238.7	783.1	753.8	278.6	1,032.4

* Employees of Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities.

† June, 1949, affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

4. Employment in Larger Private Factories, New South Wales

In order to provide a prompt indication of the trend of employment in private factories, a survey of employment in 628 larger privately-owned factories in New South Wales is made each month, by joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Acting Commonwealth Statistician. Approximately half of total factory employment is covered by the collection, the results of which are available one month earlier than particulars of total factory employment shown in Table 2.

Industrial Group	Larger Private Factories—Employment at end of Month								
	Males			Females			Persons		
	1954			1954			1954		
	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	Mar.	Apr.	May.
Building Materials ...	12,334	12,615	12,739	1,192	1,214	1,238	13,526	13,829	13,977
Basic Metals ...	28,042	28,242	28,381	1,050	1,073	1,073	29,092	29,315	29,454
Transportation Equipment ...	16,520	16,481	16,486	1,180	1,182	1,183	17,700	17,663	17,669
Other Metal Manufacture ...	37,383	37,535	37,585	8,258	8,401	8,398	45,641	45,936	45,983
Chemicals and Allied Products ...	6,567	6,593	6,621	1,961	1,949	1,963	8,528	8,542	8,584
Clothing and Textiles ...	11,892	11,824	11,699	19,622	19,478	19,447	31,514	31,302	31,146
Food ...	10,341	9,768	9,790	5,374	4,330	4,459	15,715	14,098	14,249
All Other ...	20,927	20,994	21,017	6,732	6,704	6,776	27,659	27,698	27,793
Total—All Groups ...	144,006	144,052	144,318	45,369	44,331	44,537	189,375	188,383	188,855
Excluding Food ...	133,665	134,284	134,528	39,995	40,001	40,078	173,660	174,285	174,606

5. Wages and Salaries Paid and Average Earnings, N.S.W.*

Year.	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average †	Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit ‡	Quarter	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average				Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit			
				1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
	£ thousand	£		£ thousand				£	£	£	£
1945-46	4,966	6.57									
1946-47	5,838	6.81									
1947-48	6,976	7.73	Sept. Qr.	10,024	13,387	14,934	15,654	10.27	13.26	15.23	16.01
1948-49	8,133	8.73	Dec. Qr.	11,233	14,988	15,729	16,753	11.37	14.75	16.24	16.87
1949-50	9,018	9.50	Mar. Qr.	11,413	14,083	14,241	15,303	11.41	13.94	14.70	15.33
1950-51	11,385	11.46	June Qr.	12,869	14,998	15,456		12.78	15.02	15.84	
1951-52	14,364	14.24									
1952-53	15,090	15.50									

* Includes Australian Capital Territory. † Excludes pay of members of the armed forces. ‡ Total wages divided by total civil employment expressed in male units. Male units equals the number of males plus a proportion of females, based on the approximate ratio of average female earnings to average male earnings.

6. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales*:

Amount of Benefits Paid and Admissions to Unemployment Benefit

Period	Number Admitted to Unemployment Benefit during Period			Amount of Benefits Paid during Period			
	Males	Females	Persons	Unemployment	Sickness	Special †	Total
				£	£	£	£
Year : 1947-48	3,234	282	3,516	60,499	302,987	14,434	377,920
1948-49	2,092	165	2,257	23,279	302,298	53,925	379,502
1949-50‡	103,599	23,901	127,500	1,064,698	307,315	176,698	1,548,711
1950-51	5,605	601	6,206	25,324	296,418	50,303	372,045
1951-52	7,680	3,258	10,938	55,135	262,244	33,502	350,881
1952-53	76,668	11,972	88,640	2,686,297	546,432	72,932	3,305,661
1953: April	4,036	590	4,626	234,925	48,066	4,117	287,108
May	5,169	814	5,983	248,784	61,652	8,113	318,549
June	4,097	699	4,796	241,222	64,042	9,346	314,610
July	4,038	810	4,848	205,482	57,018	14,768	277,268
August	3,704	716	4,420	176,731	55,419	13,429	245,579
September	2,062	415	2,477	168,961	61,456	12,915	243,332
October	1,641	369	2,010	144,073	58,855	11,673	214,606
November	876	285	1,161	102,690	54,263	11,174	168,127
December	1,200	264	1,464	89,409	75,479	14,756	179,644
1954: January	1,818	332	2,150	77,149	51,238	7,802	136,189
February	1,041	296	1,337	78,232	53,595	7,830	139,657
March	663	278	941	69,794	63,780	9,805	143,379
April	592	250	842	47,042	57,439	8,961	113,442
May	722	334	1,056	53,823	61,627	10,268	125,718

* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Including payments to immigrants during training for employment.

‡ Affected by power restrictions occasioned by an industrial dispute.

7. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales*:

Number Receiving Benefits at End of each Month

Last Saturday of Month	Unemployment			Sickness	Special †	All Benefits
	Males	Females	Persons	Persons		
1953: February	17,667	3,200	20,867	3,241	480	24,588
March	14,948	2,854	17,802	3,429	338	21,619
April	14,040	2,831	16,871	2,978	720	20,569
May	12,850	2,501	15,351	3,351	735	19,437
June	12,044	2,585	14,629	3,413	1,074	19,116
July	11,541	2,755	14,296	3,509	1,081	18,886
August	9,790	2,432	12,222	5,603	893	16,718
September	8,008	1,967	9,975	3,633	893	14,501
October	5,385	1,685	7,070	3,479	837	11,386
November	4,254	1,405	5,659	3,483	803	9,945
December	4,393	1,349	5,742	3,219	759	9,720
1954: January	4,309	1,280	5,589	3,124	752	9,465
February	3,327	1,118	4,445	3,274	753	8,472
March	2,612	1,063	3,675	3,276	727	7,678
April	2,401	1,044	3,445	3,108	713	7,266
May	2,053	961	3,014	3,324	747	7,085

* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Excluding immigrants.

8. Industrial Disputes in New South Wales

Compiled by N.S.W. Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare

Period	Disputes	Employees Involved			Man-working Days Lost by Employees Involved		
		Mining	Non-mining	Total	Mining	Non-mining	Total
	Number			Thousands			
Year : 1939	533	203	9	212	381	65	446
1946	986	181	82	263	300	616	916
1947	1,322	221	78	299	392	735	1,127
1948	1,506	229	43	277	497	278	775
1949	1,303	167	49	216	770	248	1,018
1950	1,694	221	138	359	294	325	619
1951	1,443	335	144	479	409	328	737
1952	1,297	194	181	375	274	485	759
1953	1,119	138	171	309	355	385	740
1953: May	73	52	6	58	71	14	85
June	48	38	11	49	60	24	84
July	57	20	36	56	31	28	59
August	60	12	4	16	19	9	28
September	85	20	19	39	46	101	147
October	89	22	23	45	39	24	63
November	61	15	7	22	24	8	32
December	9	1	6	7	1	11	12
1954: January	43	12	9	21	19	11	30
February	51	10	6	16	18	9	27
March	101	21	4	25	38	6	44
April	70	15	1	16	24	6	30
May	60	6	8	14	9	12	21

Monthly particulars are approximate.

9. Population, Births, Deaths, Marriages, and Migration, New South Wales

Period	Estimated Population at end of Period			Live Births	Deaths	Net Immigration	Marriages
	Males	Females	Persons				
	Number						
Year : 1939	1,393,358	1,373,057	2,766,415	48,003	26,815	8,044*	25,471
1949	1,594,724	1,581,211	3,175,935	68,812	29,364	74,143	28,757
1950	1,649,479	1,628,547	3,278,026	71,592	30,965	61,464	30,036
1951	1,692,368	1,666,392	3,358,760	72,069	31,932	40,597	30,341
1952	1,725,522	1,696,246	3,421,768	74,196	32,038	20,850	29,351
1953	1,747,953	1,724,341	3,472,294	74,890	31,707	7,343	27,573
1952: Mar. Qr.	1,701,906	1,674,776	3,376,682	18,779	7,258	6,401	7,915
June Qr.	1,708,712	1,679,725	3,388,437	17,958	7,833	1,630	7,434
Sept. Qr.	1,717,924	1,687,465	3,405,389	18,964	9,598	7,586	6,316
Dec. Qr.	1,725,522	1,696,246	3,421,768	18,495	7,349	5,233	7,686
1953: Mar. Qr.	1,732,393	1,704,130	3,436,523	19,056	6,858	2,557	6,968
June Qr.	1,735,101	1,707,331	3,442,432	18,401	7,767	(-)4,725	7,048
Sept. Qr.	1,740,334	1,713,909	3,454,243	18,923	9,160	2,048	6,033
Dec. Qr.	1,747,953	1,724,341	3,472,294	18,510	7,922	7,463	7,524
1954: Mar. Qr.	1,752,911	1,729,108	3,482,019	18,123	6,853	(-)1,545	7,145

* Includes intercensal adjustment.

(-) Denotes net emigration.

The estimated population of Metropolis (Sydney and Suburbs) was 1,624,470 at 31st December, 1953.

10. Mean Population of N.S.W.: Financial and Calendar Years

Year	Year ended 30th June			Year ended 31st December		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1948	1,503,789	1,502,692	3,006,481	1,515,909	1,513,664	3,029,573
1949	1,533,884	1,530,089	3,063,973	1,561,124	1,552,853	3,113,977
1950	1,592,739	1,579,201	3,171,940	1,621,197	1,603,695	3,224,892
1951	1,647,041	1,627,066	3,274,107	1,670,626	1,648,174	3,318,800
1952	1,690,790	1,665,198	3,355,988	1,709,553	1,680,921	3,390,474
1953	1,724,677	1,695,494	3,420,171	1,736,215	1,708,950	3,445,165

BUILDING ACTIVITY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

Note 1. "Value" represents the estimated cost of the building when completed (exclusive of the land).

2. Building is classified as "government" or "private" according to ownership.
3. The value of building approved is the value of permits issued by local government councils, plus the value of contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities.
4. Buildings on rural holdings are for the most part excluded.

11. Value of Private and Government Building* Approved : Area of State

Period	Private	Government	Private and Government				
	Total, N.S.W.	Total, N.S.W.	Division of Cumberland			Rest of State	Total, N.S.W.
			Metropolis †	Balance†	Total		
			£ thousand				
Year : 1947	41,817	7,322	24,551	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	49,139
1948	49,443	11,343	28,839	12,191	41,030	19,756	60,786
1949	58,923	14,244	34,419	13,847	48,266	24,901	73,167
1950	82,118	17,375	45,276	19,655	64,931	34,562	99,493
1951	97,712	22,386	52,249	23,626	75,875	44,223	120,098
1952	66,404	12,252	32,607	16,311	48,918	29,738	78,656
1953	90,224	21,361	49,526	22,499	72,025	39,560	111,585
1953: Jan.-Apr.	26,348	5,184	13,445	6,788	20,233	11,299	31,532
1954: Jan.-Apr.	31,979	6,004	24,338†	1,046†	25,384	12,599	37,983
1953 : February	6,290	1,747	3,775	1,667	5,442	2,595	8,037
March	7,258	1,659	3,779	1,538	5,317	3,600	8,917
April	7,717	918	3,847	1,894	5,741	2,894	8,635
1954 : February	7,900	890	6,059†	258†	6,317	2,473	8,790
March	9,133	1,183	6,200	176	6,376	3,940	10,316
April	8,740	2,531	7,287	412	7,699	3,572	11,271

* New buildings and alterations and additions combined. † Metropolis enlarged on 1st January, 1954, by transfer of 425 sq. miles from "Balance of Cumberland." Figures since January, 1954, are not comparable with those for earlier periods.

12. Value of Private and Government Building* Approved : Class of Building

Period	Houses	Flats and Conversions to Flats	Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	Shops and Shops with Dwellings	Factories	Other Buildings	Total
£ thousand							
DIVISION OF CUMBERLAND							
Year : 1948	30,858	1,989	103	477	4,389	3,214	41,030
1949	35,574	2,499	33	724	4,357	5,079	48,266
1950	46,009	3,596	129	1,271	6,901	7,025	64,931
1951	47,801	3,589	500	1,533	9,725	12,727	75,875
1952	31,112	1,124	503	1,147	6,585	8,447	48,918
1953	49,258	973	1,324	2,608	4,762	13,100	72,025
1953 : Jan.-Apr.	14,087	107	226	542	1,627	3,644	20,233
1954 : Jan.-Apr.	15,283	289	531	2,714	2,375	4,192	25,384
1953 : February	3,816	17	20	90	714	785	5,442
March	3,807	60	56	177	336	881	5,317
April	3,841	30	125	110	229	1,406	5,741
1954 : February	3,319	22	44	1,396	608	828	6,317
March	3,948	118	208	289	571	1,242	6,376
April	4,220	65	103	834	943	1,534	7,699
NEW SOUTH WALES							
Year : 1948	46,219	2,267	247	922	5,424	5,707	60,786
1949	54,630	2,991	111	1,178	5,187	9,070	73,167
1950	70,063	4,379	359	2,336	8,619	13,737	99,493
1951	77,067	4,195	1,090	2,906	14,460	20,380	120,098
1952	52,853	1,353	1,227	2,018	8,159	13,046	78,656
1953	78,294	1,632	2,184	4,155	5,475	19,845	111,585
1953 : Jan.-Apr.	22,436	326	502	867	1,747	5,654	31,532
1954 : Jan.-Apr.	23,441	419	830	3,349	3,092	6,852	37,983
1953 : February	5,707	119	32	163	730	1,286	8,037
March	6,461	99	189	263	376	1,529	8,917
April	5,904	85	176	228	285	1,957	8,635
1954 : February	5,073	54	278	1,516	644	1,225	8,790
March	6,190	166	275	445	1,087	2,153	10,316
April	6,640	77	169	1,006	1,058	2,321	11,271

* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

13. New House and Flat Building, New South Wales : Number of Dwelling Units

Period	Houses				Flats				Houses and Flats			
	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *
PRIVATE												
Year : 1948 †	26,496	17,092	13,867	16,621	1,069	904	602	801	27,565	17,996	14,469	17,422
1949 †	28,359	17,933	14,767	19,787	1,039	730	734	797	29,398	18,663	15,501	20,584
1950 †	31,020	19,437	15,866	23,358	1,364	744	634	907	32,384	20,181	16,500	24,265
1951	28,206	21,336	16,252	28,442†	1,091	732	790	849	29,297	22,068	17,042	29,291†
1952	17,827	18,449	19,634	27,257†	271	295	744	529	18,098	18,744	20,378	27,786†
1953	23,103	20,324	21,051	26,530†	393	306	555	271	23,496	20,630	21,606	26,801†
1952 : Mar. Qr.	4,306	4,966	5,018	28,390†	61	111	181	779	4,367	5,077	5,199	29,169†
June Qr.	4,167	4,795	4,933	28,252†	101	69	172	676	4,268	4,864	5,105	28,928†
Sept. Qr.	4,616	3,933	4,930	27,255†	40	73	160	589	4,656	4,006	5,090	27,844†
Dec. Qr.	4,738	4,755	4,753	27,257†	69	42	231	529	4,807	4,797	4,984	27,786†
1953 : Mar. Qr.	5,101	4,276	5,320	26,213†	71	40	163	400	5,172	4,316	5,483	26,613†
June Qr.	5,781	5,089	4,987	26,315†	97	68	172	292	5,878	5,157	5,159	26,607†
Sept. Qr.	6,436	5,589	4,803	27,101†	132	126	122	296	6,568	5,715	4,925	27,397†
Dec. Qr.	5,785	5,370	5,941	26,530†	93	72	98	271	5,878	5,442	6,039	26,801†
1954 : Mar. Qr.	5,164	5,555	5,134	26,951†	101	131	116	282	5,265	5,686	5,250	27,233†

GOVERNMENT

Year : 1948	2,689	3,974	3,385	4,579	729	427	187	444	3,418	4,401	3,572	5,023
1949	3,524	3,419	3,509	4,489	639	630	285	789	4,163	4,049	3,794	5,278
1950	3,909	3,739	3,453	4,775	505	815	335	1,269	4,414	4,554	3,788	6,044
1951	5,247	4,322	4,127	4,970	507	523	330	1,462	5,754	4,845	4,457	6,432
1952	843	2,931	5,250	2,651	(-) 25	236	635	1,063	818	3,167	5,885	3,714
1953	6,232	5,071	4,547	3,175	348	148	1,000	211	6,580	5,219	5,547	3,386
1952 : Mar. Qr.	(-) 13	926	1,104	4,792	(-) 25	36	62	1,436	(-) 38	962	1,166	5,228
June Qr.	294	987	1,225	4,554	...	174	141	1,469	294	1,161	1,366	6,023
Sept. Qr.	195	563	1,458	3,659	...	26	84	1,411	195	589	1,542	5,070
Dec. Qr.	367	455	1,463	2,651	...	...	348	1,063	367	455	1,811	3,714
1953 : Mar. Qr.	1,160	927	1,048	2,530	36	...	190	873	1,196	927	1,238	3,40
June Qr.	816	1,032	931	2,631	69	42	316	599	885	1,074	1,247	3,230
Sept. Qr.	1,839	1,199	1,115	2,715	86	53	222	430	1,925	1,252	1,337	3,145
Dec. Qr.	2,417	1,913	1,453	3,175	157	53	272	211	2,574	1,966	1,725	3,386
1954 : Mar. Qr.	852	1,642	914	3,903	76	206	45	372	928	1,848	959	4,275

PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT

Year : 1948†	29,185	21,066	17,252	21,200	1,798	1,331	789	1,245	30,983	22,397	18,041	22,445
1949†	31,883	21,352	18,276	24,276	1,678	1,360	1,019	1,586	33,561	22,712	19,295	25,862
1950†	34,929	23,176	19,319	28,133	1,869	1,559	969	2,176	36,798	24,735	20,288	30,309
1951	33,453	25,658	20,379	33,412†	1,598	1,255	1,120	2,311	35,051	26,913	21,499	35,723†
1952	18,670	21,380	24,684	29,908†	246	531	1,379	1,592	18,916	21,911	26,263	31,500†
1953	29,335	25,395	25,598	29,705†	741	454	1,555	482	30,076	25,849	27,153	30,187†
1952 : Mar. Qr.	4,293	5,892	6,122	33,182†	36	147	243	2,215	4,329	6,039	6,765	35,397†
June Qr.	4,461	5,782	6,158	32,806†	101	243	313	2,145	4,562	6,025	6,471	34,951†
Sept. Qr.	4,811	4,496	6,388	30,914†	40	99	244	2,000	4,851	4,595	6,632	32,914†
Dec. Qr.	5,105	5,210	6,216	29,908†	69	42	579	1,592	5,174	5,252	6,795	31,500†
1953 : Mar. Qr.	6,261	5,203	6,368	28,743†	107	40	353	1,273	6,368	5,243	6,721	30,016†
June Qr.	6,597	6,121	5,918	28,946†	166	110	488	891	6,763	6,231	6,406	29,837†
Sept. Qr.	8,275	6,788	5,918	29,816†	218	179	344	726	8,493	6,967	6,262	30,542†
Dec. Qr.	8,202	7,283	7,394	29,705†	250	125	370	482	8,452	7,408	7,764	30,187†
1954 : Mar. Qr.	6,016	7,197	6,048	30,854†	177	337	161	654	6,193	7,534	6,209	31,508†

* At end of period. Includes some private houses on which work has been suspended or abandoned. † Partly estimated.
 ‡ "Private approved"—local government permits to build. "Government approved"—contracts let and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities. Statistics of dwellings approved are available monthly; figures for current months are as follows :—

Ownership	Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
New Houses and Flats Approved : Number of Dwelling Units.													
Private	1953	1,512	1,698	1,962	1,953	1,843	2,082	2,150	2,117	2,301	2,024	2,017	1,837
	1954	1,652	1,642	1,971	1,930								
Gov'tment	1953	224	477	495	262	289	334	588	714	623	1,059	714	801
	1954	456	218	254	549								
Total	1953	1,736	2,175	2,457	2,215	2,132	2,416	2,738	2,831	2,924	3,083	2,731	2,638
	1954	2,108	1,860	2,225	2,479								

(-) denotes excess of contracts cancelled over contracts let.

14. New South Wales Government Railways: Traffic and Finances§

Period	Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (excluding livestock)	Gross Revenue*	Working Expenses†	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Thousands	Thous. tons	£ thousand		
Year: 1938-39	186,720	14,679	19,146	14,543	4,603
1948-49	263,116	16,903	39,663	35,739	3,924
1949-50	258,183	15,890	40,122‡	39,281	841
1950-51	268,567	17,131	49,448	49,168	280
1951-52	268,168	18,528	68,910	64,020	4,890
1952-53	271,698	17,877	72,676	66,452	6,224
1952-53: July-Apr.	224,387	14,930	60,774	54,541	6,233
1953-54: July-Apr.	231,176	16,050	60,610	53,451	7,159
1953: January	22,120	1,322	5,772	4,709	1,063
February	21,427	1,394	5,352	5,482	(—) 130
March	23,975	1,571	5,963	5,440	523
April	22,733	1,402	6,208	5,054	1,154
1954: January	22,839	1,459	5,780	5,077	703
February	22,845	1,424	5,212	5,155	57
March	24,511	1,781	6,416	5,572	844
April	23,178	1,484	5,691	5,338	353

* Excludes Government contribution, £800,000 annually, for developmental lines. † Excluding capital charges such as interest, exchange, etc.; a proportion of sinking fund for retirement of assets is included.

‡ Excludes a special grant of £3m. by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949. § The electricity generating stations were transferred to Electricity Commission of N.S.W. on 1st January, 1953.

15. New South Wales Government Tramways and Omnibuses: Finances

Period	Gross Revenue			Working Expenses*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Trams	Buses	Total		
	£ thousand				
Year: 1938-39	3,449	925	4,374	3,707	667
1948-49	5,098	3,643	8,741	8,580	161
1949-50	4,792	4,307	9,099†	9,538	(—) 439
1950-51	5,162	5,110	10,272	11,201	(—) 939
1951-52	5,510	5,680	11,190	13,807	(—) 2,617
1952-53	5,690	5,836	11,526	14,240	(—) 2,714
1952-53: July-Apr.	4,720	4,855	9,575	11,845	(—) 2,270
1953-54: July-Apr.	4,622	5,071	9,693	11,337	(—) 1,644
1953: January	468	479	947	1,218	(—) 271
February	440	453	893	1,078	(—) 185
March	492	505	997	1,197	(—) 200
April	491	451	942	1,112	(—) 170
1954: January	438	482	920	1,092	(—) 172
February	443	507	950	1,011	(—) 61
March	483	536	1,019	1,149	(—) 130
April	469	504	973	1,126	(—) 153

* Exclusive of sinking fund, interest on loan capital, exchange, and depreciation (£880,950 in year 1952-53).

† Excludes a special grant of £200,000 by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

16. Port of Sydney: Cargoes Discharged and Shipped

Compiled by Maritime Services Board of New South Wales. Vessels transporting troops, war equipment and supplies are included. Warships are excluded.

Period	Oversea		Interstate		Intra-state		Total	
	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward
	Thousand tons (Measurement and Weight Combined)							
Year: 1938-39	2,045	1,429	1,187	798	1,896	340	5,128	2,567
1948-49	2,683	2,162	1,009	535	1,658	115	5,350	2,812
1949-50	3,137	1,934	905	573	1,616	130	5,658	2,637
1950-51	3,851	1,521	892	540	1,781	135	6,524	2,196
1951-52	4,236	1,155	903	533	1,837	116	6,976	1,804
1952-53	2,452	1,255	871	675	1,881	92	5,204	2,022
1953: Mar. Qr.	595	343	184	154	375	16	1,154	513
June Qr.	608	402	225	185	491	22	1,324	609
Sept. Qr.	746	355	245	208	534	17	1,525	580
Dec. Qr.	737	386	244	166	578	10	1,559	562
1954: Mar. Qr.	799	346	209	201	402	25	1,410	572

17. Motor Vehicles on the Register* in New South Wales

End of Month	Cars	Omni-buses	Taxi-cabs and Hire Cars	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Trailers	All Other Vehicles†	Total on Register
1939 : June	213,331	1,430	3,278	76,726	294,765	24,151	6,414	2,298	327,628
1945 : June	182,972	1,891	2,962	82,957	270,782	16,068	9,065	2,397	298,312
1947 : June	195,857	2,200	3,330	113,544	314,931	25,172	14,712	3,635	358,450
1949 : June	232,637	2,947	3,562	140,338	379,684	36,379	21,525	6,362	443,950
1951 : June	308,294	3,363	4,159	181,529	497,345	46,851	28,131	9,328	581,655
1952 : June	338,640	3,429	4,474	196,295	542,838	47,552	31,429	10,482	632,301
1953 : June	360,573	3,417	4,471	199,870	568,331	45,100	34,173	11,413	659,017
1953 : Jan.	351,636	3,489	4,535	197,406	557,066	46,375	33,557	10,922	647,920
Feb.	352,890	3,485	4,534	197,313	558,222	46,066	33,532	10,956	648,776
Mar.	354,817	3,458	4,535	197,717	560,527	45,863	33,735	11,052	651,177
Apr.	356,904	3,425	4,469	198,269	563,067	45,596	33,959	11,156	653,778
1954 : Jan.	379,932	3,441	4,472	206,201	594,046	43,860	36,923	12,435	687,264
Feb.	381,805	3,454	4,470	206,571	596,300	43,604	36,991	12,575	689,470
Mar.	384,687	3,447	4,460	207,432	600,026	43,300	37,166	12,722	693,214
Apr.	387,621	3,462	4,456	208,389	603,928	43,239	37,426	12,848	697,441

* Excludes defence vehicles. † Comprises traders' plates, tourist vehicles, and tractors (excluding tractors used solely on farms); details are shown in the Statistical Bulletin (Quarterly).

18. New Motor Vehicles Registered* in New South Wales : Types

Period	Cars†	Taxi-cabs‡	Omni-buses‡	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Tractors§ and Trailers	Total
Year : 1938-39	19,924	569	130	7,712	28,335	2,196	1,714	32,245
1947-48	16,659	133	329	9,079	26,200	4,451	3,521	34,172
1948-49	25,466	186	339	11,674	37,665	7,442	4,177	49,284
1949-50	41,163	133	212	20,158	61,666	8,659	5,004	75,329
1950-51	46,689	323	84	29,076	76,172	8,895	5,578	90,605
1951-52	41,426	267	127	25,628	67,448	6,018	5,779	79,245
1952-53	30,989	509	123	18,436	50,057	3,042	5,653	58,752
1952-53: July-Apr.	25,860	414	107	14,862	41,243	2,626	4,984	48,853
1953-54: July-Apr.	34,707	390	101	17,381	52,579	2,500	5,289	60,368
1953: January	2,053	27	8	1,179	3,267	280	663	4,210
February	2,396	74	6	1,403	3,879	253	319	4,451
March	2,886	76	13	1,686	4,661	276	418	5,355
April	2,661	14	8	1,537	4,220	235	381	4,836
1954: January	2,576	12	13	1,324	3,925	206	664	4,795
February	2,964	27	10	1,376	4,377	203	387	4,967
March	4,206	29	3	1,997	6,235	321	469	7,025
April	3,742	23	17	1,762	5,544	307	450	6,301

* Excludes defence vehicles. † Includes taxi-cabs and omnibuses in country districts. ‡ Metropolitan and Newcastle Districts only. § Tractors used solely on farms are not registered.

19. New Motor Vehicles Registered in New South Wales : Country of Origin

Period	Cars					Lorries, Utilities, and Vans				
	Aus-tralia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total	Aus-tralia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total
Year: 1938-39	...	38.8	60.6	0.6	19,924	...	25.0	74.6	0.4	7,712
1947-48	...	53.5	45.7	0.8	16,659	...	18.3	81.7	...	9,079
1948-49	3.1	76.5	18.7	1.7	25,466	...	50.1	49.8	0.1	11,674
1949-50	11.7	77.2	7.9	3.2	41,163	...	72.0	27.4	0.6	20,158
1950-51	16.5	67.5	10.1	5.9	46,689	1.9	75.8	21.7	0.6	29,076
1951-52	19.3	62.2	11.8	6.7	41,426	7.9	63.7	26.8	1.6	25,628
1952-53	32.3	50.1	14.5	3.1	30,989	18.8	49.8	29.4	2.0	18,436
1952-53: July-April	31.9	50.8	14.1	3.2	25,860	19.6	49.9	28.3	2.2	14,862
1953-54: July-April	30.2	52.3	14.4	3.1	34,707	19.8	48.7	29.6	1.9	17,381
1953: January	29.1	53.5	13.1	4.3	2,053	19.5	56.4	21.3	2.8	1,179
February	33.6	47.8	15.5	3.1	2,396	20.4	51.4	25.9	2.3	1,403
March	35.5	46.0	14.6	3.9	2,886	17.4	51.9	29.7	1.0	1,686
April	34.8	46.3	15.3	3.6	2,661	18.8	46.6	32.1	2.5	1,537
1954: January	25.1	58.2	13.3	3.4	2,576	19.3	47.7	30.8	2.2	1,324
February	29.1	53.8	14.5	2.6	2,964	22.0	49.9	27.1	1.0	1,376
March	29.4	52.0	14.9	3.7	4,206	21.9r	49.3r	27.7r	1.1	1,997
April	26.3	55.7	15.0	3.0	3,742	21.6	49.5	27.4	1.5	1,762

20. Coal Production in New South Wales

Period of Four Weeks *	Last Day of Period (1954 Dates)	1942	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
Thousand tons								
1st†	Jan. 23	731	513	714	442	622	604	605
2nd	Feb. 20	933	954	952	876	1,134	1,135	1,151
3rd	Mar. 20	981	929	932	888	1,292	1,139	1,217
4th	Apr. 17	886	908	925	1,052	1,158	1,007	1,136p
5th	May 15	1,003	970	1,013	980	1,171	931	1,121p
6th	June 12	965	926	1,038	1,052	1,147	999	1,285p
7th	July 10	918	225	923	1,168	1,236	1,051	
8th	Aug. 7	953	109	961	1,158	1,177	1,309	
9th	Sept. 4	1,028	1,117	1,144	1,174	1,240	1,248	
10th	Oct. 2	984	1,100	1,051	1,205	1,287	1,241	
11th	Oct. 30	973	1,108	1,120	1,255	1,267	1,239	
12th	Nov. 27	965	1,182	1,093	1,222	1,272	1,280	
13th†	Dec. 25	886	695	932	1,041	1,019	991	
Year : Underground		12,150	9,388	11,197	11,224	12,492	12,453	
Open Cut ...		56	1,348	1,601	2,289	2,530	1,721	
Total ...		12,206	10,736	12,798	13,513	15,022	14,174	

Twenty-four weeks ended—

	June 13.	June 18.	June 17.	June 16.	June 14.	June 13.	June 12.
Northern District ...	3,741	3,321	3,680	3,358	4,135	3,636	4,144p
Southern District ...	1,022*	915	968	1,010	1,158	1,241	1,409p
Western District ...	736	964	926	922	1,231	938	962p
Underground ...	n.a.	4,572	4,891	4,438	5,306	5,041	5,865p
Open Cut ...	n.a.	628	683	852	1,218	774	650p
Total ...	5,499	5,200	5,574	5,290	6,524	5,815	6,515p

* Periods in Southern District ended a week later than in other districts in 1942.

† Miners' mid-summer holidays:

	1942. Public holidays only.	1949. 2 weeks {N-2 wks. {S & W-1 wk.}	1950. {N-1 wk. {S & W-2 wks.}	1951. 2 weeks 1 week	1952. 2 weeks 1 week	1953. 2 weeks 1 week	1954. 2 weeks
In 1st Period ...							
In 13th Period							

21. Consumption of Gas and Electricity, Sydney

(Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity)

Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units. The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years, 1929 to 1931.

Month	Average 1929 to 1931	1939	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
January	100	125	198	218	221	235	252	258	276
February	100	125	208	227	241	240	258	267	277
March	100	130	212	231	238	235	252	268	287
April	100	125	218	222	226	243	248	259	
May	100	128	203	229	237	240	251	261	
June	100	131	214	189	232	245	252	274	
July	100	134	199	118	214	253	254	275	
August	100	135	214	173	234	255	247	271	
September	100	134	223	228	236	248	254	274	
October	100	135	216	224	238	255	257	275	
November	100	136	226	239	246	265	260	280	
December	100	131	222	231	236	246	267	273	
Year	100	131	213	209	233	247	254	270	

MONTHLY PRODUCTION, NEW SOUTH WALES

Statistics for 1951-52 are final, but all figures from July, 1952, are subject to revision.

22. Production of Food and Drink

Period	Butter *	Cheese *	Processed Whole Milk Products	Bacon and Ham *	Jam	Preserved Fruit	Preserved Vegetables
	Thousand lb.						
Year : 1938-39	113,841	7,193	14,357	25,987	20,635	28,387	4,902
1948-49	74,519	5,577	44,868	29,649	33,234	29,676	24,480
1949-50	82,469	6,333	51,215	28,879	36,246	31,748	32,265
1950-51	76,873	6,630	45,827	28,157	31,096	35,743	32,130
1951-52	52,501	4,469	38,577	27,911 [‡]	29,260	48,106	37,823
1952-53p	83,076	7,084	54,168	29,373	20,371	31,573	37,070
1952-53 : July-Apr.	74,444	6,572	50,902	25,038	17,224	30,816	35,252
1953-54 : July-Apr.	60,500	6,803	42,852	21,786	19,834	50,354	17,419
1953 : January	8,837	871	5,305	1,899	2,454	2,471	5,952
February	9,024	737	4,638	1,844	1,784	4,872	9,775
March	8,722	652	4,021	2,120	2,625	18,839	4,198
April	6,518	399	2,394	2,196	2,038	1,750	1,920
1954 : January	7,232	696	4,636	1,634	4,584	6,947	1,298
February	7,908r	614	3,825	1,582	1,994	4,790	1,377
March	8,764	652	4,116r	2,398	3,384	29,756	2,036
April	5,254	446	3,029	2,129	1,675	6,499	1,170

Period	Flour (Wheaten)	Bran (Wheaten)	Pollard (Wheaten)	Oatmeal and Rolled Oats	Cornflour (incl. Edible Starch)	Biscuits †
	Tons (2,000 lb.)			Cwt.		Thous. lb.
Year : 1938-39	547,162	107,779	121,154	82,706	n.a.	43,611
1948-49	646,199	117,813	151,468	170,251	153,853	53,299
1949-50	577,482	98,478	133,294	166,183	154,645	60,789
1950-51	677,682	112,744	145,879	162,166	179,891	67,725
1951-52	563,325	97,733	131,498	168,055	203,440	76,732
1952-53p	542,763	82,954	121,868	170,948	196,263	73,415
1952-53 : July-Apr.	419,001	64,305	93,943	128,913	160,450	61,948
1953-54 : July-Apr.	478,052	71,279	102,306	n.a.	163,333	62,090
1953 : January	50,636	7,805	11,241	7,619	10,207	5,349
February	51,687	8,035	11,674	9,905	20,003	6,002
March	57,698	8,950	12,969	14,580	17,683	6,260
April	51,281	7,640	11,716	20,647	16,466	6,767
1954 : January	46,052	6,729	9,505	n.a.	10,399	5,290
February	37,037	5,517	7,662	n.a.	14,937	5,203
March	42,962	6,291	8,777	n.a.	18,075	6,212
April	40,163	5,821	7,915	n.a.	12,845	6,521

Period	Margarine		Ice Cream	Confectionery		Beer
	Table	Other		Chocolate (excl. couverture)	Other	
	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.
Year : 1938-39	4,492	22,475	2,233	21,988 [‡]	26,811	33,899
1948-49	13,559	33,598	6,954	27,253	34,094	54,104
1949-50	8,457	38,242	7,540	28,910	31,307	54,704
1950-51	5,619	36,328	7,711	25,766	34,900	61,966
1951-52	11,146	41,017	7,937	23,243	36,894	66,799
1952-53p	9,264	35,041	5,770	20,642	35,038	73,891
1952-53 : July-Apr.	7,079	28,692	5,259	16,048	28,950	61,263
1953-54 : July-Apr.	11,084	29,955	5,233	17,115	27,475	68,210
1953 : January	509	1,737	712	1,108	1,884	6,482
February	672	2,650	625	1,796	2,820	5,841
March	705	2,528	626	2,254	2,870	6,474
April	693	3,338	445	2,354	2,785	5,940
1954 : January	831	1,878	692	1,093	1,742	7,379
February	736	2,529	564	1,564	2,287	6,678
March	1,203	3,530	569	2,199	2,909	7,600
April	927	3,307	444	2,055	2,505	6,952

* Production in factories only.

† Excluding ice cream cones.

‡ Including couverture.

§ From July, 1951, the productions of pressed ham and canned bacon and ham was changed from a "bone-out" to a "bone-in" weight basis.

23. Production of Metals, Coal, and Energy

Period	Gold	Coal	Coke (Metallurg.)	Pig Iron	Ingot Steel	Gas	Electricity
	Fine oz		Thousand tons			Mill. cub. ft.	Mill. kWh
Year: 1938-39	88,488	11,196*	1,136†	1,105†	1,168†	10,896	1,948
1948-49	57,981	11,736	1,130	897	1,129	18,151	3,717
1949-50	47,288	11,290	1,164	1,002	1,266	17,846	3,758
1950-51	52,714	12,683	1,488	1,158	1,405	19,444	4,241
1951-52	40,761	14,800	1,607	1,219	1,473	20,537	4,628
1952-53p	31,873	14,290	1,866	1,541	1,846	20,767	4,868
1952-53: July-Apr.	27,235	12,188	1,541	1,278	1,510	16,987	3,988
1953-54: July-Apr.	25,473	12,389	1,657	1,359	1,731	17,421	4,329
1953: January	1,424	843	150	124	153	1,557	372
February	1,689	1,185	142	116	141	1,466	371
March	1,896	1,228	168	147	160	1,642	424
April	2,108	1,062	164	141	155	1,614	402
1954: January	2,236	915	167	142	176	1,600	408
February	2,604	1,136	156	121	148	1,468	395
March	3,316	1,416	173	128	175	1,675	466
April	2,851	1,168	165	128	173	1,640	434

* Year ended 31st December, 1939.

† Year ended 31st May.

‡ Monthly totals are approximate.

24. Production of Miscellaneous Metal Products

Period	Engines (Internal Combustion)		Electric Motors		Motor Bodies (Excl. Cabins and Conversions)	Pedal Cycles
	Marine	Other	Under 1 h.p.	Over 1 h.p.		
			Number 26,671*			
Year: 1938-39	977	1,214			5,425	38,416
1948-49	2,343	16,642	182,290	31,338	4,341	27,605
1949-50	2,185	17,560	274,228	26,146	6,646	28,539
1950-51	2,160	21,586	369,684	34,166	8,866	29,156
1951-52	1,887	20,593	417,945	34,255	9,276	28,701
1952-53p	1,159	10,734	348,533	22,765	9,170	21,297
1952-53: July-Apr.	987	8,071	279,456	19,472	6,104	17,508
1953-54: July-Apr.	1,110	12,752	444,828	17,681	16,833	19,821
1953: January	86	746	29,960	2,332	478	1,568
February	90	908	35,985	1,331	826	1,533
March	97	795	27,575	1,805	1,233	1,940
April	77	1,406	31,836	1,491	1,226	1,901
1954: January	73	762	44,381	1,246	1,296	1,004
February	116	1,551	49,880	1,691	1,542	1,489
March	101	1,147	49,224	2,774	2,183	1,797
April	83	1,034	42,442	2,296	1,856	1,535

* Electric motors for sale as such; later totals include electric motors incorporated in finished products.

25. Production of Clothing

Period	Hosiery		Hats (Felt)	Brassieres	Gloves		Boots, Shoes, and Sandals*	Slippers
	Women's, Maids' and Girls*	Other			Dress	Work*		
	Dozen pairs		Dozen		Dozen pairs		Thousand pairs	
Year: 1938-39	520,127	538,092	135,262	35,424	1,265	38,553	4,767	3,107
1948-49	351,054	411,453	147,498	116,876	9,727	106,474	6,117	2,804
1949-50	383,837	374,572	118,724	148,312	11,041	106,610	6,024	2,822
1950-51	465,854	423,477	115,241	168,814	14,277	125,834	6,287	2,755
1951-52	463,596	376,536	86,586	163,163	15,362	151,555	6,155	2,465
1952-53p	563,274	338,439	100,749	142,217	23,454	101,613	5,913	2,433
1952-53: July-Apr.	456,432	276,695	83,165	115,004	19,181	85,995	4,767	1,946
1953-54: July-Apr.	500,834	362,607	83,858	145,828	22,448	106,454	5,447	2,363
1953: January	31,447	18,441	8,381	3,913	1,411	5,270	285	124
February	47,380	30,173	10,943	12,823	2,471	8,037	464	211
March	52,623	34,926	11,384	16,367	2,162	7,987	500	245
April	51,981	33,169	10,250	14,259	2,485	9,056	483	239
1954: January	33,141	21,574	8,801	8,691	1,173	8,104	362	138
February	45,555	32,815	8,646	13,637	1,793	11,470	482	251
March	57,875	43,575	11,517	16,344	1,953	13,959	572	266
April	47,905	33,757	8,642	13,440	1,716	12,655	521	218

* Excluding articles of rubber.

26. Production of Building Materials and Fittings

Period	Sawn Timber (Native) *	Bricks (Clay)	Tiles		Asbestos Cement Building Sheets	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Cement
			Terra Cotta	Cement			
	Mill. sup. ft.	Thousands			Thousand sq. yd.		Tons
Year: 1938-39	179.4	379,236	20,129	n.a.	5,291	2,671	432,487
1948-49	353.7	314,323	22,783	5,652	8,695	4,415	465,354
1949-50	341.1	300,356	22,124	8,362	8,634	4,171	554,966
1950-51	338.3	341,994	22,590	11,213	9,777	4,963	613,425
1951-52	380.6	354,545	22,765	20,273	10,545	4,962	594,276
1952-53p	351.3	295,470	27,818	5,913	9,344	4,401	659,736
1952-53: July-Apr.	284.6	239,563	22,823	5,501	7,616	3,684	529,189
1953-54: July-Apr.	311.0	293,653	25,104	6,693	7,958	4,230	575,435
1953: January	22.7	17,442	1,730	350	595	293	50,329
February	22.1	22,765	2,275	389	896	341	43,554
March	25.2	27,224	2,602	411	776	387	56,550
April	28.8	24,628	2,410	363	685	364	64,626
1954: January	24.9	20,894	1,824	664	543	349	46,010
February	22.8	27,174	2,359	695	789	435	47,318
March	23.1	34,817	2,843	907	933	514	62,822
April	33.7	29,854	2,602	611	734	465	61,562

Period	Paints		Stoves, Domestic Cooking			
	Ready-Mixed Paint	Lacquers and Enamels	Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric	
					Stoves	Stovettes Excl. Cookers
	Thousand gal.			Number		
Year : 1938-39	n.a.	863	17,154	17,736	4,930	
1948-49	1,823	1,569	12,810	19,906	18,908	n.a.
1949-50	1,914	1,826	10,307	20,723	14,178	23,128
1950-51	2,577	1,575	14,183	26,938	16,623	38,074
1951-52	2,598	1,771	15,214	25,232	17,022	26,290
1952-53p	2,044	1,743	11,089	16,793	8,192	17,528
1952-53: July-Apr.	1,700	1,368	9,127	13,617	6,648	15,104
1953-54: July-Apr.	1,944	1,842	n.a.	n.a.	9,668	16,752
1953: January	166	119	616	1,174	337	1,281
February	191	154	673	1,581	479	1,727
March	211	180	809	1,658	907	1,695
April	179	165	985	1,667	721	1,802
1954: January	161	141	549	1,272	635	1,013
February	167	157	n.a.	1,447	833	1,666
March	203	204	n.a.	2,314	1,554	2,052
April	212	187	n.a.	n.a.	1,120	1,943

Period	Baths (All types)	Sinks	Bath Heaters		Coppers (complete)	
		Stainless Steel	Solid Fuel and Kerosene	Gas	Gas	Electric
Number						
Year : 1938-39	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1948-49	45,646	12,867	35,201	22,414	24,256	14,121
1949-50	40,635	18,431	44,127	13,845	20,765	16,470
1950-51	45,583	22,759	42,219	17,191	24,847	24,081
1951-52	49,719	26,349	37,319	16,396	19,974	21,712
1952-53p	39,962	23,910	30,348	10,839	12,396	10,708
1952-53 : July-Apr.	32,103	19,708	25,437	8,647	10,049	8,440
1953-54 : July-Apr.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	10,981	n.a.	11,796
1953 : January	2,517	1,089	1,921	729	792	673
February	4,362	1,789	2,672	1,084	1,188	829
March	4,455	2,145	4,391	1,026	1,261	1,076
April	4,883	1,689	2,867	806	835	1,229
1954 : January	3,666	1,803	2,187	543	n.a.	803
February	4,875	2,340	2,063	943	n.a.	1,007
March	n.a.	2,824	n.a.	986	n.a.	1,295
April	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	1,250	n.a.	1,045

* Including sawn sleepers.

27. Production of Miscellaneous Products

Period	Refrigerators (Household)	Mattresses		
		Wire	Inner Spring	Other
Number				
Year : 1938-39	13,102	79,140	17,407	n.a.
1948-49	84,232	55,590	85,574	166,699
1949-50	90,653	69,650	107,057	190,543
1950-51	113,603	78,285	157,406	166,865
1951-52	101,195	67,264	128,104	118,942
1952-53p	91,491	71,786	147,474	97,194
1952-53 : July-Apr.	79,317	59,582	120,780	80,874
1953-54 : July-Apr.	138,113	68,903	161,706	81,190
1953 : January	9,618	4,158	9,507	6,380
February	9,169	6,324	13,170	8,844
March	7,035	7,627	15,558	8,407
April	6,817	6,724	14,749	7,738
1954 : January	15,815	4,515	13,861	6,454
February	13,856	5,676	15,531	7,526
March	12,990	7,964	20,267	9,769
April	9,575	8,266	15,770	5,602

Period	Wireless Cabinets	Perambulators	Sulphate of Ammonia	Sulphuric Acid
Number		Tons		
Year : 1938-39	133,760	42,282	20,960	85,501
1948-49	180,023	45,754	28,780	94,542
1949-50	222,818	48,410	32,353	93,763
1950-51	276,682	53,334	37,222	112,151
1951-52	227,014	64,033	43,549	117,035
1952-53p	154,498	77,902	49,095	124,794
1952-53 : July-Apr.	123,433	66,467	40,596	102,446
1953-54 : July-Apr.	198,777	n.a.	43,995	121,532
1953 : January	7,836	6,187	4,071	8,988
February	16,043	8,923	3,712	9,490
March	13,398	11,173	3,889	11,563
April	13,833	7,795	4,808	11,316
1954 : January	12,910	n.a.	3,832	13,527
February	17,191	n.a.	3,477	12,301
March	27,469	n.a.	4,338	12,403
April	24,923	n.a.	4,944	13,336

Period	Soap				Cleansing and Scouring Powders (excl. Synthetic Detergents)
	Toilet (incl. Shampoos and Shaving Soap)	Household (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Industrial (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Other (Liquid, Soft and Sand)	
	Cwt.				
Year : 1938-39	107,390	384,103		56,301	28,502*
1948-49	219,348	619,492		106,813	58,348*
1949-50	227,888	620,561	42,302	102,380	47,468*
1950-51	241,185	666,063	62,289	99,160	53,696*
1951-52	265,115	710,139	56,189	106,550	55,246
1952-53p	230,506	692,900	57,456	84,754	43,523
1952-53 : July-Apr.	188,925	579,701	46,757	70,841	35,643
1953-54 : July-Apr.	216,593	509,927	60,270	71,103	36,307
1953 : January	11,695	32,708	1,766	5,981	2,687
February	20,072	65,860	5,091	6,799	3,119
March	21,412	60,538	6,432	6,599	4,370
April	24,355	47,151	4,252	7,473	3,759
1954 : January	15,724	31,504	4,235	7,148	2,922
February	18,378	43,082	5,931	6,833	4,103
March	26,972	73,522	7,624	9,091	3,843
April	25,412	51,223	7,452	7,833	4,306

*Includes synthetic detergents.

28. Index of Rainfall in Rural Districts, New South Wales
(Normal rainfall for each month = 100)

Month	Sheep Districts					Wheat Districts				Coastal Dairying Districts			
	N.	C.	S.	W.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.
1952 : November	34	66	155	103	90	34	72	150	115	34	43	174	54
December	60	95	127	31	89	73	101	98	96	52	52	134	63
1953 : January	58	98	115	173	100	55	89	127	108	225	114	78	178
February	301	111	83	113	156	256	120	85	116	337	215	62	270
March	52	36	20	13	33	39	38	14	24	132	122	69	121
April	53	49	92	146	75	46	52	100	81	26	49	32	32
May	185	163	39	107	155	222	190	103	140	52	209	344	129
June	3	22	64	14	29	4	21	65	46	3	15	10	7
July	37	14	54	25	35	49	16	50	41	34	47	27	37
August	184	131	131	152	148	197	124	136	141	94	104	107	98
September	36	65	129	94	81	44	62	137	106	34	30	55	35
October	96	128	167	193	139	105	113	187	157	89	78	119	90
November	81	121	138	68	111	80	107	143	126	40	47	66	45
December	10	40	36	21	28	7	40	26	27	36	27	50	35
1954 : January	81	140	222	132	149	92	148	254	206	70	119	94	86
February	283	344	168	168	250	282	338	167	226	423	337	288	384
March	17	4	4	1	7	12	6	4	6	40	73	12	45
April	23	65	112	110	73	22	75	120	96	72	60	22	62
May	38	9	27	9	23	22	11	28	23	159	69	16	118

N.—Northern.

C.—Central.

S.—Southern.

W.—Western.

T.—Total, all Districts.

WOOL

29. Number of Sheep, Sheep Shorn, and Production of Wool, New South Wales

Sheep as at 31st March. Sheep Shorn and Wool Production (as in grease) in season ended June

Particulars	1938-39	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53
Sheep ... mill.	48.9	46.1	50.4	53.3	54.1	53.7	57.5
Sheep shorn ... mill.	51.5	43.7	48.1	53.6	52.9	52.7	56.7
Wool produced* mill. lb.	437.1	422.3	463.2	515.0	492.1	437.8	556.6

* Includes crutchings and wool from skins.

30. Wool Received into Store and Unsold in Store, New South Wales
(Excluding Albury Centre and Joint Organisation Stocks)

Period	Received into Store during period				Unsold in Store at end of period			
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
Thousand bales								
Season : 1946-47	922.8	158.2	42.7	1,123.7	34.5	4.6	0.3	39.4
1947-48	869.2	152.1	46.9	1,068.2	13.7	1.2	0.2	15.1
1948-49	998.9	181.1	54.4	1,234.4	75.7	2.3	0.5	79.0
1949-50	1,066.6	218.9	57.0	1,342.5	11.6	1.3	0.1	13.0
1950-51	1,052.4	176.0	51.2	1,279.6	24.6	1.8	0.4	26.8
1951-52	903.6	164.4	42.7	1,110.7	14.9	0.7	0.2	15.8
1952-53	1,136.2	207.2	53.2	1,396.6	17.5	0.8	...	18.3
1952-53: July-May	1083.4	199.3	53.3	1,336.0	79.7	8.2	0.1	88.0
1953-54: July-May	1065.1	256.5	57.7	1,379.3	57.3	9.9	0.2	67.4
1953: February	31.6	5.7	0.4	37.7	172.5	14.3	10.6	197.4
March	55.8	5.0	0.5	61.3	85.5	18.8	3.6	107.9
April	62.1	10.8	0.6	73.5	88.4	29.6	4.2	122.2
May	52.2	4.3	1.7	58.2	79.7	8.2	0.1	88.0
1954: February	27.9	5.2	0.4	33.5	160.1	34.8	13.6	208.5
March	61.5	14.5	0.4	76.4	62.0	16.2	4.6	82.8
April	54.8	10.8	0.7	66.3	99.5	27.0	5.3	131.8
May	51.2	10.1	2.0	63.3	57.3	9.9	0.2	67.4

31. Wool: Sales at Auction, New South Wales

Excluding Albury Centre. Includes small quantities bought-in by Joint Organisation, but excludes sales from stocks held by Joint Organisation.

Period	Wool Sold					Amount Realised			
	Greasy and Scoured			Total		Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Greasy	Scoured				
	Thousand bales *					£ thousand			
Season : 1938-39	1,144.6	32.1	...	1,118.9	57.8	n.a.	n.a.	...	15,521
1946-47	889.8	154.1	42.4	1,014.0	72.3	26,906	4,551	1,453	32,910
1947-48	882.2	148.6	47.0	994.8	83.0	42,881	7,556	2,535	52,972
1948-49	925.4	170.2	54.0	1,079.0	70.6	53,699	10,193	3,439	67,331
1949-50	1,118.4	202.7	57.1	1,293.8	84.4	86,510	16,217	4,987	107,714
1950-51	1,038.6	175.5	50.9	1,194.8	70.2	185,502	32,589	10,113	228,204
1951-52	912.2	165.4	43.3	1,071.9	49.0	85,188	15,943	4,130	105,261
1952-53	1,132.8	207.1	53.3	1,340.8	52.4	122,090	23,153	6,105	151,348
1952-53 : July-May	1,017.7	191.8	53.4	1,214.9	48.0	110,821	21,874	6,104	138,799
1953-54 : July-May	1,024.6	247.2	57.6	1,289.2	40.2	104,289	25,371	6,131	135,791
1953: February	126.1	29.2	7.7	159.7	3.3	14,299	3,611	910	18,820
March	142.8	0.5	7.5	145.5	5.3	16,901	2	947	17,850
April	59.2	...	...	56.0	3.2	6,169	...	...	6,169
May	60.9	25.7	5.7	87.5	4.8	6,731	2,782	582	10,095
1954: February	150.2	32.2	9.0	188.2	3.2	14,990	3,372	957	19,319
March	159.5	33.1	9.4	197.7	4.3	15,455	3,376	968	19,799
April	17.3	...	...	13.5	3.8	1,689	...	...	1,689
May	93.4	27.2	7.0	123.9	3.7	8,866	2,470	640	11,976

* Scoured bales are not converted to greasy basis.

32. Prices of Greasy Wool, New South Wales

Season	Average Price at Auction, New South Wales*	Month	Average Price that would be realised if whole N.S.W. clip was sold at price level of current month			
			1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
	Pence per lb.					
		July	78.5†	95.0†	75.0†	85.0†
		August	114.5	73.0	75.0†	84.0†
1938-39	10.3	September	118.0	66.0	73.0	83.0
1945-46	15.3†	October	118.0	91.0	78.0	84.0
1946-47	23.6	November	128.0	80.0	78.0	84.0
1947-48	37.9	December	129.0	77.0	82.0	81.0
1948-49	46.8	January	166.0	75.0	82.0	80.0
1949-50	61.8	February	177.5	69.0	83.0	77.0p
1950-51	145.3	March	190.5	61.0	87.0	77.0p
1951-52	76.5	April	145.0	63.0	89.0	79.0†
1952-53	85.1	May	129.0	72.0	93.0	82.0p
		June	95.0	75.0	85.0	

* Excluding Albury (regarded as a Victorian selling centre).

† Based on United Kingdom purchase prices; does not allow for payments accruing for profits on re-sale of contract wool.

‡ Nominal.

33. Wheat Growing in New South Wales

Season	Holdings with 20 acres or more Wheat for Grain	Area under Wheat		Yield of Grain	
		Total	For Grain	Total	Average per acre
	Number	Acres		Bushels	
1936-37 to 1945-46*	15,875†	4,203,047	3,824,667	49,850,000	13.0
1946-47	15,971	4,772,978	4,474,894	15,682,000	3.5
1947-48	16,003	5,355,169	5,043,017	95,227,000	18.9
1948-49	15,674	4,242,969	4,038,447	64,704,000	16.0
1949-50	15,594	4,173,857	4,011,744	81,939,000	20.4
1950-51	14,279	3,441,958	3,328,490	43,273,000	13.0
1951-52	13,147	2,930,170	2,753,317	39,689,000	14.4
1952-53	13,167	2,836,206	2,702,359	56,670,000	21.0
1953-54p	n.y.a.	3,730,000	3,470,000	65,000,000	18.7

* Annual average.

† Average of six seasons 1935-36 to 1940-41.

34. Wheat: Prices and Return to Growers, New South Wales, and Prices in Canada

Period	Export Price*		Home Price for Human Consumption§	Net Return, f.o.r. country siding, to N.S.W. Growers¶	Canadian No. 1 Northern Wheat: in store, Fort William-Port Arthur and Vancouver||
					For Commercial Export
			s. d. per bushel		Cents (Can.) per bushel
Year: 1938-39	2	5.1	2	5.9	62.0
1946-47	14	1	3	11.3	244.0
1947-48	19	4.7	6	0.2	287.9
1948-49	15	8.2	6	8	226.3
1949-50	15 †	5.2	18 ‡	5.8	218.6
1950-51	16	1	18	8.8	212.3
1951-52	16	4.3	20	9	235.0
1952-53	16	6	21	2	216.5
1953: May	16	6	21	0	211.8
June	16	6	20	5.6	205.6
July	16	6	19	6.8	204.7
August	18	3**	18	3**	202.1
September	18	2**	18	2**	200.5
October	17	8**	17	8**	195.3
November	17	0**	17	0**	190.0
December	16	10.5**	16	10.5**	188.5
1954: January	16	9**	16	9**	183.4
February	16	6**	16	6**	183.6
March	16	1**	16	1**	180.0
April	15	9**	15	9**	182.3
May	15	9**	15	9**	182.8

* Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July. Bases are as follows:—
1938-39—Average of shippers' limits for bulk and bagged lots, f.o.r. Sydney.

1946-47 to 1948-49—Basic export selling price of Australian Wheat Board. Average for bulk and bagged wheat, f.o.r., Sydney.

1949-50 to date—Basic selling prices of Australian Wheat Board for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.b., Sydney (see † and ‡ below).

† Wheat sold under International Wheat Agreement. ‡ Wheat sold in excess of I.W.A. quota.

§ Wholesale price for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.r. Sydney. Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended November.

¶ Allowing for cost of bags and including governmental assistance to wheat growers. Pool season, generally year ended October.

|| Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July.

** For some destinations, where other exporting countries have a geographical freight advantage, the selling price is below this basic price.

35. Whole Milk Production, New South Wales

Period	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53p	1953-54p
			Thousand gallons			
September Qr.	53,006	55,835	53,733	46,274	62,556	57,478
December Qr.	85,601	101,154	99,766	68,933	97,163	79,415
January	30,507	31,965	36,210	20,773	31,271	27,140
February	29,437	29,944	29,793	17,685	31,062	27,808
March	31,143	31,841	27,787	23,719	30,290	30,324
April	25,560	24,065	21,512	23,576	24,460	22,391
May	19,874	20,630	16,199	21,411	20,544	
June	16,787	16,146	13,159	18,838	17,928	
Year ended June	291,915	311,580	298,159	241,209	315,274	
July-April	255,254	274,804	268,801	200,960	276,802	244,556

NOTE.—The annual average production for the five seasons ended 1939 was 331,963,000 gallons.

36. Butter: Prices, Export and Local, and Return to Farmer

Season	Export*	Sydney Wholesale	Net Return to farmer †	Month	Export*	Sydney Wholesale
		s. d. per lb.				s. d. per lb.
1938-39	1	1.2	1	5	1	1.1
1945-46	1	7.8	1	5.9	1	8.3
1946-47	1	11.2	1	5.9	1	8.3
1947-48	2	3.3	1	7.5	1	11.9
1948-49	2	7.3	1	11.1	2	1.9
1949-50	2	9.6	1	11.1	2	4.5
1950-51	3	0.4	1	11.1	2	8.2
1951-52	3	3.1	2	7.2	3	6.1
1952-53	3	6.0	3	8.8	3	11.4
1953-54	3	7.7	3	8.8	3	11.5p
				1953: July	3	7.7
				August	3	7.7
				September	3	7.7
				October	3	7.7
				November	3	7.7
				December	3	7.7
				1951: January	3	7.7
				February	3	7.7
				March	3	7.7
				April	3	7.7
				May	3	7.7
				June	3	7.7

* United Kingdom contract price f.o.b. Australia (1938-39 excepted). † Average price paid for cream supplied to New South Wales factories, inclusive of government subsidy in 1945-46 and later years.

37. Oversea Trade, New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales			Australia		
	Merchandise					
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports
	£A million f.o.b.					
Year: 1939-39	49.9	37.7	(—) 12.2	113.2	121.5	8.3
1947-48	150.4	134.7	(—) 15.7	338.1	405.0	66.9
1948-49	177.2	176.6	(—) 0.6	414.1	541.1	127.0
1949-50	214.0	216.6	2.6	536.1	611.6	75.5
1950-51	301.7	325.6	23.9	741.3	979.1	237.8
1951-52	426.8	193.9	—) 232.9	1,049.7	665.2	(—) 384.5
1952-53	206.9	249.6	42.7	510.4	849.3	338.9
1952-53: July-Apr.	175.0	207.6	32.6	424.2	701.7	277.5
1953-54: July-Apr.	219.9	217.4	(—) 2.5	542.0	700.8	158.8
1953: January	19.3	19.8	0.5	44.7	66.4	21.7
February	17.7	22.0	4.3	41.5	64.8	23.3
March	18.0	28.6	10.6	44.2	90.0	45.8
April	19.3	22.2	2.9	43.3	79.	35.8
1954: January	24.5	19.0	(—) 5.5	60.4	57.6	(—) 2.8
February	18.0	16.4	(—) 1.6	45.4	57.9	12.5
March	29.6	29.8	0.2	66.9	85.6	18.7
April	21.4	22.7	1.3	52.1	65.6	13.5

(—) Denotes excess of imports.

38. Wholesale Trade, New South Wales

* Net sales of taxable and exempt goods by traders registered under Sales Tax Acts

Period	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
	£ million							
September Qr.	80.5	89.9	111.3	109.9	157.4	209.7	176.7	203.3
October	25.6	30.3	36.5	43.6	57.8	68.6	61.7	65.9
November	23.8	32.1	38.3	39.3	44.9	56.3	62.1	77.4
December	26.9	33.6	34.5	50.2	61.2	81.7	60.4	72.0
January	21.1	24.5	31.3	38.3	52.4	62.3	53.8	65.0
February	25.6	29.7	38.6	47.7	50.1	65.0	64.4	71.7
March	23.5	32.3	34.8	41.2	62.0	58.8	61.5	70.3
June Qr.	83.0	101.5	116.3	153.5	201.0	196.4	188.6	
Year ended June	310.0	373.9	441.6	523.7	686.8	798.8	729.2	
July-March	227.0	272.4	325.3	370.2	485.8	602.4	540.6	625.6

* Exclusive of discounts, returns, etc.

39. Retail Trade: Principal City Stores, Sydney

Compiled by Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with Commonwealth Bank

Period	Business Days in Period		Value of Net Sales	Value of Stock	Wages and Salaries Paid	Number of Employees*	Three months ended in month shown	
	Previous Year	Current Year					Value of Net Sales	Wages and Salaries Paid
	Number		Percentage increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with corresponding period of preceding year.					
Year : 1947	302	302	+ 18.7	+ 32.5	+ 21.5	+ 8.6		
1948	302	303	+ 16.3	+ 20.6	+ 20.6	+ 6.0		
1949	303	302	+ 6.8	+ 6.7	+ 13.8	+ 0.4		
1950	302	303	+ 16.8	+ 5.6	+ 11.7	+ 0.7		
1951	303	301	+ 22.7	+ 26.9	+ 32.8	+ 2.7		
1952	301	303	+ 8.6	+ 9.0	+ 4.0	+ 10.0		
1953	303	302	+ 4.8	+ 20.1	+ 0.3	+ 3.9		
1952 : Nov.	26	25	+ 11.9	+ 14.0	+ 10.8	+ 15.8	+ 12.3	+ 3.8
Dec.	23	24	+ 9.5	+ 20.2	+ 2.0	+ 14.1	+ 5.3	+ 4.9
1953 : Jan.	25	25	+ 5.5	+ 23.8	+ 7.1	+ 12.6	+ 1.9	+ 6.4
Feb.	25	24	+ 7.8	+ 25.4	+ 9.5	+ 11.4	+ 0.3	+ 6.0
Mar.	26	26	+ 0.6	+ 26.1	+ 2.3	+ 10.0	+ 3.8	+ 6.3
Apr.	22	22	+ 3.1	+ 25.2	+ 0.4	+ 7.7	+ 3.0	+ 4.1
1953 : Nov.	25	25	+ 15.1	+ 7.7	+ 6.2	+ 3.1	+ 11.0	+ 4.2
Dec.	24	24	+ 11.9	+ 2.3	+ 7.6	+ 8.0	+ 11.4	+ 5.9
1954 : Jan.	25	25	+ 12.7	+ 0.5	+ 4.7	+ 4.3	+ 13.1	+ 6.2
Feb.	24	22	+ 1.3	+ 4.9	+ 6.8	+ 3.6	+ 8.9	+ 6.4
Mar.	26	27	+ 8.7	+ 4.4	+ 8.2	+ 2.8	+ 7.2	+ 6.5
Apr.	22	22	+ 10.0	+ 6.3	+ 4.8	+ 2.2	+ 6.5	+ 6.6

* Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 2.

BANKING

Since 1st October, 1951, 16 trading banks have conducted business in Australia. Of these, 12 operate in New South Wales, comprising the 7 major private trading banks, the Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia, the Rural Bank of N.S.W., and 3 oversea banks.

40. Trading Banks : Deposits and Assets in Australia

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Deposits	Balances due to other Banks	Cash Items	Treasury Bills	Government and Municipal Securities	Special Deposits with Commonwealth Bank	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted
£ million							
MAJOR PRIVATE TRADING BANKS							
1939 : June	318.0	n.a.	28.6	23.9	22.1	...	291.7
1945 : June	582.5	n.a.	36.5	46.5	104.3	241.8	207.9
1947 : June	643.3	2.5	34.4	13.8	80.6	275.4	289.7
1949 : June	817.4	49.8	40.0	11.1	62.5	381.2	383.3
1951 : June	1,237.7	63.2	50.5	32.8	93.0	569.6	509.5
1952 : June	1,122.9	48.0	61.2	35.8	62.6	303.3	691.2
1953 : June	1,239.0	3.5	76.6	100.5	115.7	300.8	601.8
1953 : February	1,218.9	2.4	89.3	188.4	96.5	193.6	604.1
March	1,272.6	3.6	81.7	211.0	101.1	228.6	593.9
April	1,283.5	4.0	71.7	173.4	110.1	276.1	592.5
1954 : February	1,337.1	3.2	75.0	147.7	138.5	282.4	656.0
March	1,363.0	3.4	66.8	133.0	141.9	315.4	664.3
April	1,354.9	2.9	63.3	91.6	142.0	332.5	684.7
COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK*							
1947 : June	58.6	0.3	5.7	1.1	33.9	...	21.6
1949 : June	68.2	2.5	4.7	...	34.4	...	36.6
1951 : June	119.7	2.3	6.9	36.5	15.1	...	68.5
1952 : June	109.1	3.4	7.1	23.0	22.1	...	71.2
1953 : June	135.7	4.1	11.9	31.3	15.2	32.3	59.7
1953 : February	124.5	3.7	12.0	20.6	25.8	19.3	61.6
March	131.9	4.1	11.7	32.7	21.6	23.3	58.1
April	132.9	3.6	8.8	35.6	16.8	28.7	55.6
1954 : February	158.5	0.4	10.5	20.9	35.1	34.4	71.6
March	163.2	0.4	9.8	18.3	35.1	38.3	71.9
April	165.6	0.3	9.9	17.9	35.1	40.3	72.1
ALL TRADING BANKS							
1947 : June	722.7	3.0	42.4	16.2	126.2	277.2	344.8
1949 : June	913.1	52.5	48.0	12.2	111.5	382.8	461.9
1951 : June	1,407.4	65.9	62.4	73.8	123.1	572.6	635.5
1952 : June	1,282.2	52.2	72.0	59.3	99.4	305.0	827.9
1953 : June	1,428.0	7.9	94.4	138.7	144.6	334.1	724.8
1953 : February	1,399.4	6.4	107.2	216.4	135.8	214.0	729.3
March	1,462.5	7.9	100.6	253.1	136.1	253.0	715.9
April	1,473.2	7.8	87.5	218.2	140.4	305.7	711.3
1954 : February	1,554.1	3.9	91.2	179.0	187.8	317.9	793.5
March	1,586.4	4.4	82.2	163.6	191.5	354.9	802.5
April	1,580.2	3.8	77.9	121.4	191.8	373.9	823.2

*General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank prior to 9th December, 1953.

41. Trading Banks : Deposits and Advances in New South Wales

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Major Private Trading Banks				C'wealth Trading Bank*		All Trading Banks	
	Deposits			Advances	Deposits	Advances	Deposits	Advances
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total					
£ million								
1947 : June	174.6	69.7	244.3	116.5	33.3	12.6	286.8	153.6
1949 : June	228.1	73.2	301.3	150.4	40.1	18.0	358.0	199.7
1951 : June	386.0	81.9	467.9	197.9	60.0	36.1	560.8	276.6
1952 : June	345.7	67.9	413.6	276.0	61.8	38.6	507.3	361.1
1953 : June	379.7	68.9	448.6	243.7	74.0	26.5	557.5	314.7
1953 : Feb.	381.3	67.6	448.9	243.5	71.0	26.1	555.0	314.9
Mar.	393.3	67.7	461.0	238.4	74.9	25.3	571.9	308.7
Apr.	397.3	69.0	466.3	238.4	73.3	25.1	575.6	307.9
1954 : Feb.	418.2	78.5	496.7	262.3	84.8	30.1	618.8	338.0
Mar.	427.3	77.9	505.2	263.7	87.2	30.9	631.4	339.9
Apr.	423.8	78.0	501.8	269.3	88.8	31.3	629.7	345.8

*General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank prior to 9th December, 1953.

42. Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts, New South Wales

"Debits" refer to all trading banks operating in N.S.W., excluding accounts of Australian Governments at city banks and central banking business of the Commonwealth Bank.

Period	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
Weekly Average—£ million.							
July	66.6	79.2	91.2	121.3	159.3	149.0	163.7
August	60.6	71.0	80.9	109.2	141.9	130.1	145.6
September	64.4	77.4	88.0	126.3	153.0	143.0	167.7
October	67.8	81.5	99.0	135.5	163.0	152.7	168.3
November	72.5	82.0	107.9	147.9	170.5	159.8	173.0
December	71.0	87.7	112.2	158.0	175.9	173.8	185.8
January	59.6	74.8	96.8	131.6	146.2	124.6	151.9
February	72.1	83.5	108.7	161.1	155.3	156.2	164.8
March	68.6	83.9	118.6	160.0	152.1	162.4	184.7
April	69.7	82.5	108.8	161.1	153.3	149.7	166.2
May	75.0	92.8	122.6	167.3	155.9	157.4	183.0
June	82.0	97.3	121.2	168.2	158.4	160.3	
Year	69.4	83.1	104.9	145.1	156.6	151.9	

43. Savings Banks in New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales					Australia	
	Active Accounts*	Deposits	Interest Credited	Withdrawals	Depositors' Balances*	Active Accounts*	Depositors' Balances*
	Thousand	£ thousand				Thousand	£ thousand
Year: 1938-39	1,330	66,577	1,610	67,155	87,474	3,858	245,587
1945-46	1,911	191,112	3,801	156,874	236,242	5,467	663,554
1946-47	1,967	158,994	4,054	167,922	231,368	5,593	660,015
1947-48	2,013	160,875	3,991	159,270	236,964	5,728	681,318
1948-49	2,072	171,622	4,062	168,165	244,483	5,890	714,232
1949-50	2,138	201,479	4,238	191,296	258,874	6,105	762,085
1950-51	2,194	253,472	4,405	232,285	284,466	6,307	837,444
1951-52	2,247	261,966	4,829	246,729	304,532	6,494	891,898
1952-53	2,279	266,006	5,703	257,092	319,149	6,633	947,497
1953: March	2,261	24,239		23,154	313,790	6,587	925,043
April	2,267	21,179		21,637	313,332	6,605	925,340
May	2,273	21,073		21,678	312,727	6,623	926,357
1954: March	2,290	26,121		27,130	331,335	6,699	981,640
April	2,296	24,159		23,254	332,240	6,716	984,160
May	2,302	25,482		24,452	333,270	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

* At end of period.

44. Oversea Exchange Rates

Mean of Buying and Selling rates for telegraphic transfers quoted by Commonwealth Bank, average of daily rates.

Period	Australia on—							
	London	New Zealand	South Africa	Montreal	New York	France	Belgium	India
	£A. to £stg.100	£A. to £N.Z.100	£A. to £S.A.100	Canadian \$ to £A.1	U.S. \$ to £A.1	Francs to £A.1	Francs to £A.1	Rupees to £A.1
1938-39	125.25	100.33	124.70	3.79	3.78	141.75	111.58	10.69
1946—June	125.25	100.25	124.88	3.54	3.22	383.24	141.02	10.64
1949—"	125.25	124.27	124.88	3.22	3.22	875.85	141.02	10.64
1950—"	125.25	124.27	124.88	2.46	2.24	782.44	111.78	10.64
1951—"	125.25	124.27	124.88	2.39	2.24	782.44	111.78	10.64
1952—"	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.18	2.22	776.35	111.66	10.64
1953—"	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.19	2.25	784.71	111.76	10.64
1954—January	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.18	2.24	782.03	111.69	10.64
February	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.17	2.25	782.98	111.58	10.64
March	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.18	2.25	784.75	111.75	10.64
April	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.21	2.25	786.47	112.25	10.64
May	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.22	2.25	787.16	112.29	10.64

45. Interest Rates, New South Wales

Period	Private First Mortgages Registered*		Yield on Commonwealth Government Securities†		Trading Banks‡				Savings Bank Deposits‡		Treasury Bills‡ (Dis-count)
					Fixed Deposits			Over-draft (Max.)	To £500	£500 to £1,000	
	Urban	Rural	Short-dated : 2 years	Long-dated : 12 years	3 months	24 months					
						To £10,000	Over £10,000				
Per cent. per annum											
Year : 1938-39	5.5	5.1	3.67	3.85	2.00	3.00	3.00	5.75	2.00	1.75¶	1.75
1945-46	4.7	4.4	2.18	3.24	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.75	2.00	1.00	1.00
1948-49	4.4	4.3	2.07	3.15	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1949-50	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.13	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1950-51	4.4	4.3	1.99	3.21	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1951-52	4.4	4.3	2.05	3.95	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1952-53	4.7	4.6	3.03	4.54	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
1953: April	4.8	4.7	3.17	4.51	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
May	4.9	4.8	3.17	4.54	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
June	4.9	4.8	3.16	4.48	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
July	4.9	4.8	3.03	4.47	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
August	4.9	4.8	2.95	4.47	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
September	4.9	4.7	2.96	4.42	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
October	4.9	4.8	2.99	4.43	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
November	4.9	4.7	2.97	4.42	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
December	4.9	4.7	2.99	4.40	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
1954: January	4.9	4.7	3.03	4.40	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
February	4.9	4.7	3.08	4.40	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
March	4.9	4.7	3.17	4.47	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
April	5.0	4.8	3.24	4.46	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
May	5.0	4.8	3.34	4.47	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00

* Average for year or for 3 months ended month shown.

† Compiled by Commonwealth Bank; average

for year or as at last Wednesday in month.

‡ Rate current at end of period.

¶ 1½ per cent. to limit of

£1,300 until March, 1942.

46. Index of Value of Shares on Sydney Stock Exchange

The index relates to the value of ordinary shares on the Sydney Stock Exchange of principal companies (excluding banks), whose business is conducted wholly or largely in New South Wales. The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of 24 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made for changes in capital structure.

Month	23 Manufacturing and Distributing Companies	10 Retail Companies	8 Public Utility Companies	5 Pastoral and Finance Companies	5 Insurance Companies	Total, 75* Companies	34 Active Shares included in foregoing
1939 : Aug.	212.6	168.2	156.0	118.2	263.9	174.4	181.9
1945 : Sept.	242.7	207.8	170.8	146.7	264.6	195.8	210.3
1949 : June	326.9	274.4	153.1	171.7	462.3	242.4	216.4
1950 : June	399.3	318.7	155.3	227.4	576.7	293.6	297.5
1951 : June	529.8	397.6	167.3	301.6	757.1	366.6	357.0
1952 : June	358.2	257.1	154.4	189.0	580.5	256.7	250.7
1953: Jan.	365.7	258.5	151.3	195.1	551.7	253.6	257.7
Feb.	364.8	266.5	153.5	196.4	544.1	255.0	256.7
Mar.	365.7	270.8	153.1	195.2	537.9	255.6	254.7
Apr.	361.0	265.2	149.7	192.3	532.2	252.5	248.9
May	361.4	262.4	150.7	190.5	529.7	251.9	249.9
June	363.6	265.2	153.5	192.8	544.4	254.4	253.7
July	369.5	265.6	154.4	197.7	559.4	258.0	260.3
Aug.	371.8	273.6	154.4	201.6	582.0	262.7	266.7
Sept.	370.8	278.6	155.3	200.8	585.8	264.4	270.1
Oct.	363.5	283.4	152.2	195.5	590.7	261.7	266.3
Nov.	361.2	283.6	151.8	195.5	588.0	261.0	265.1
Dec.	366.6	286.1	149.2	197.8	597.1	264.1	269.2
1954: Jan.	377.2	294.3	153.6	197.3	620.5	271.6	279.7
Feb.	377.5	295.8	157.3	197.4	636.7	273.3	279.8
Mar.	376.0	292.0	164.3	201.4	636.0	273.0	278.7
Apr.	370.4	294.3	163.4	202.4	574.7	268.6	275.4
May	373.7	302.7	158.7	210.0	586.5	271.4	279.5

* Including 24 miscellaneous companies.

47. Real Estate Transactions and Crop, Wool, and Stock Mortgages Registered in New South Wales

Period	Real Estate Conveyances and Transfers		Mortgages*	Crop Liens	Wool Liens†	Livestock Mortgages †
	Number	£ thousand				
Year: 1938-39	50,295	35,272	25,068	1,908	3,064	1,736
1947-48	79,694	60,202	30,924	460	2,100	2,011
1948-49	86,201	62,229	32,518	333	2,391	2,768
1949-50	105,589	125,952	57,382	460	3,115	2,845
1950-51	108,732	192,311	70,600	309	4,828	3,482
1951-52	95,857	179,581	77,211	514	4,371	3,578
1952-53	82,905	143,909	68,590	462	3,428	2,513
1952-53: July-May	75,340	130,491	63,112	439	3,053	2,207
1953-54: July-May	84,288	170,425	68,749	452	2,930	2,374
1953: March	7,766	13,072	5,648	39	238	165
April	7,132	12,519	4,441	64	336	206
May	7,723	14,189	6,190	24	398	215
1954: March	8,302	18,395	7,007	44	355	165
April	6,893	16,008	5,642	18	321	194
May	8,529	18,840	5,527	15	410	287

* As consideration is not recorded in many mortgages, the amount is understated; it relates to mortgages in fixed amounts for fixed periods and excludes fluctuating advances secured by mortgage. † Loans secured by both lien on wool and mortgage on sheep are included under both headings.

48. Life Assurance, New South Wales

(a) New Policies issued (exclusive of annuities)*.

Period	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Total Sum Assured
	Policies	Sum Assured	Policies	Sum Assured	
	Number	£ thousand	Number	£ thousand	£ thousand
Year†: 1939	50,520	18,179	156,787	7,540	25,719
1948	99,282	47,956	115,336	11,076	59,032
1949	94,665	49,357	113,568	11,332	60,689
1950	98,015	58,666	106,754	11,136	69,802
1951	101,683	78,187	97,361	11,526	89,713
1952‡	106,352	79,956	101,327	13,491	93,447
1953‡	111,937	88,217	97,165	13,404	101,621
1953: Jan.-Mar.	21,053	16,320	22,093	2,963	19,283
1954: Jan.-Mar.	20,537	17,402	19,110	2,695	20,097
1953: Jan.	5,688	4,317	3,204	428	4,745
Feb.	6,952	5,072	8,001	1,052	6,124
Mar.	8,413	6,931	10,888	1,483	8,414
1954: Jan.	5,533	4,171	3,017	403	4,574
Feb.	6,757	5,888	6,027	841	6,729
Mar.	8,247	7,343	10,066	1,451	8,794

* Includes operations of Government Insurance Office of New South Wales. † Annual figures are aggregates of yearly returns for "various balance" dates (mainly in September or December of year specified). ‡ Total of monthly figures.

(b) New Loans Granted by Life Assurance Companies in New South Wales* (exclusive of advances of premiums).

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate	On Companies' Policies	On Other Securities	Total Loans Granted
	£ thousand			
Year: 1948	5,828	861	2,540	9,229
1949	9,264	931	2,913	13,108
1950	16,184	1,117	3,873	21,174
1951	20,433	1,228	4,935	26,596
1952	16,506	1,771	3,470	21,747
1953	14,775	1,436	2,426	18,637
1953: Jan.-Mar.	3,400	361	515	4,276
1954: Jan.-Mar.	2,488	330	338	3,156
1953: Jan.	1,076	109	129	1,314
Feb.	1,162	126	183	1,471
Mar.	1,162	126	203	1,491
1954: Jan.	836	98	95	1,029
Feb.	702	99	132	933
Mar.	950	133	111	1,194

* The Government Insurance Office of New South Wales is not included.

49. Commonwealth Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	July-May		Item	July-May	
	1952-53	1953-54		1952-53	1953-54
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
Taxes—			Social Services*—		
Customs	64,478	86,043	Invalid, Age Pensions	66,029	74,337
Excise	103,993	115,150	Child Endowment	45,985	48,044
Sales	81,430	87,218	Hospital Benefits	7,046	7,874
Income Tax and Social Services Contribution	460,065	439,149	Pharmaceutical Benefits	5,790	6,558
Wool Deduction	(—) 2,154	(—) 231	Other	22,549	23,352
Payroll	36,472	37,058	Total, Social Services*	147,399	160,165
Estate	7,588	9,071	To States—		
Entertainments	6,095	1,979	Tax Reimbursements	117,659	123,345
Other	2,236	1,449	Other	42,569	45,047
Total Taxes	760,203	776,886	Capital Works	90,413	80,999
Post Office	58,771	61,694	Post Office†	59,151	60,928
Broadcasting	3,441	3,483	Broadcasting†	4,250	4,390
Railways	2,508	2,943	Railways†	3,156	3,061
Territories	1,528	1,972	Territories†	7,904	9,573
Other	25,693	32,419	Defence Services	175,908	158,355
	852,144	879,397	War Services, 1914-18 & 1939-45†	59,756	59,170
Primary Production†	51,856	4,192	Subsidies	23,898	18,884
			Debt Charges	68,426	68,592
			Other	63,164	58,936
Total Revenue	904,000	883,589	Primary Production†	51,856	4,192
			Total Expenditure	915,509	855,637

* Actual Expenditure from National Welfare Fund.

† Self-balancing items.

‡ Excluding debt charges.

Expenditure from Loan Fund for War and Reparation in the eleven months ended May (£4,528,000 in 1952-53 and £3,612,000 in 1953-54) is included above. Other loan expenditure in this period consisted of Advances to States for Housing, £24,370,000 in 1952-53 and £26,575,000 in 1953-54.

Commonwealth Treasury Bills on issue in Australia at the end of May amounted to £230,000,000 in 1953 and £190,000,000 in 1954.

50. New South Wales Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	July-May		Item	July-May	
	1952-53	1953-54		1952-53	1953-54
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
Governmental—			Interest, Exchange, Sinking Fund and Loan Management	19,245	21,748
From Commonwealth—			Less—Recoups from other Activities	2,323	3,250
Towards Interest	2,674	2,674	Net Debt Charges	16,922	18,498
Reimbursement of Taxes	46,789	48,780	Other than Debt Charges—		
Stamp and Probate Duty	12,183	12,438	Governmental	68,269	73,354
Other Taxes	3,053	3,784	Business Undertakings—		
Land	3,733	2,338	Railways	61,084	59,128
Services	3,821	4,435	Trams and Buses	12,582	12,329
Other	10,370	10,138	Sydney Harbour	1,387	1,432
Total Governmental	82,623	84,587	Total Expenditure	160,244	164,741
Business Undertakings—					
Railways	67,178	66,894			
Trams and Buses	10,769	10,731			
Sydney Harbour	1,908	2,189			
Total Revenue	162,478	164,401			

Loan Expenditure on works and services in the eleven months ended May was gross £44,798,000 and net (i.e., gross less repayments to loan account) £43,347,000 in 1952-53 compared with gross £49,106,000 and net £47,605,000 in 1953-54.

51. Australian Export Price Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician from prices of twenty commodities which normally constitute about 80 per cent. of all Australian exports. The prices are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) in the years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Wool	Wheat	Butter	Metals*	Meats†	All Groups ‡	
						Excluding Gold	Including Gold
Σ (a) Σ (b)	45.63 49.05	17.06 18.34	11.36 12.21	6.83 7.34	6.63 7.13	... 100.00	100.00 ...
Year : 1938-39	79	66	101	84	96	82	83
1945-46	117	213	147	196	123	148	146
1947-48	287	420	193	372	146	296	283
1948-49	365	413	233	478	171	348	332
1949-50	473	400	250	421	196	399	383
1950-51	999	432	271	689	209	690	654
1951-52	564	436	291	811	263	495	473
1952-53	616	441p	313	504	314	504p	482p
1953: April	671	448p	313	418	321	526p	502p
May	701	448p	313	407	321	540p	515p
June	641	448p	313	429	321	512p	489p
July	641†	448p	325	446	331	515p	492p
August	634†	446p	325	450	331	511p	488p
September	626	443p	325	438	331	506p	484p
October	634	428p	325	450	340	509p	486p
November	634	414p	325	458	340	508p	485p
December	611	413p	325	442	340	495p	473p
1954: January	603	411p	325	427	340	489p	468p
February	581p	402p	325	423	340	476p	455p
March	581p	399p	325	440	340	476p	456p

* Non-ferrous—Silver, copper, tin, zinc, lead. † Beef, lamb, mutton, pork. ‡ Includes also sugar, dried fruits, tallow, and hides. § Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups" (a) including Gold and (b) Excluding Gold. ¶ Nominal.

52. Wholesale Price (Basic Materials and Foodstuffs) Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. Prices are drawn mainly from Melbourne sources. Apart from locally produced building materials, and one or two minor commodities, the price movements may be taken as representative of variations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets.

From August, 1950, to 30th June, 1951, a bounty was paid on raw wool purchased for local manufacture. The effective price, that is the open market (auction room) price less bounty, has been used in calculating the index numbers in this table.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Metals and Coal	Textiles	Building Materials	Total Basic Materials	Foodstuffs and Tobacco	Goods Principally Imported*	Goods Principally Home-produced	Total, All Groups
Year : 1938-39	103	82	97	99	103	99	102	101
1945-46	130	152	177	149	135	178	126	141
1947-48	146	283	190	166	153	192	145	159
1948-49	185	342	198	188	175	201	173	181
1949-50	214	434	225	214	198	223	198	205
1950-51	256	641	268	264	232	256	242	246
1951-52	343	577	370	321	281	288	305	300
1952-53	392	607	404	350	294	292	331	320
1953: Feb.	391	611	391	348	290	289	328	316
Mar.	393	640	391	350	289	290	328	317
Apr.	392	643	391	349	299	288	336	322
May	391	661	364	344	301	279	338	321
June	392	621	364	342	305	283	338	322
July	391	583	365	336	315	275	346	325
Aug.	389	581	365	335	336	275	360	335
Sept.	389	576	365	335	331	276	357	333
Oct.	389	576	364	334	325	273	353	329
Nov.	388	574	365	333	311	270	342	321
Dec.	388	561	365	332	304	269	337	317
1954: Jan.	384	564	365	331	305	271	336	317
Feb.	384	546p	365	328p	306	269	336p	316p
Mar.	389	545p	365	330p	305	269	336p	316p
Apr.	390	553p	35	328p	304	266	337p	316p

* Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index. This Index does not measure changes in import prices generally.

53. Wholesale Price Index Numbers, Certain Countries

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Australia	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom	Canada	United States	France
	Commonwealth Statistician	Government Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Board of Trade	Dominion Statistician *	Bureau of Labor Statistics	Inst. Nat. de la Stat.
Year : 1938-39	101	102	100	96	95	95	112
1947-48	159	173	174	203	175	91	451
1948-49	181	180	186	218	195	194	2032
1949-50	205	184	195	237	195	186	2196
1950-51	246	210	216	288	224	211	1237
1951-52	300	243	252	321	229	213	145
1952-53	320	252	269	320	216	209	141
1952: Nov.	313	256	274	317	216	209	140
Dec.	320	256	273	320	216	207	140
1953: Jan.	318	251	270	320	216	208	141
Feb.	316	250	266	316	216	207	139
Mar.	317	248	265	321	217	208	140
Apr.	322	247	265	325	214	207	139
May	321	248	267	323	215	208	139
June	322	249	268	322	216	207	139
July	325	248	268	322	216	210	137
Aug.	335	248	272	319	217	209	137
Sept.	333	248	272	318	216	210	137
Oct.	329	253	273	318	215	208	136
Nov.	321	252	271	320	214	208	137
Dec.	317	252	270	318	214	208	138
1954: Jan.	317	249	271	318	215r	210	138
Feb.	316p	244	269	319p	n.y.a.	209	138
Mar.	316p	244	269	321p	n.y.a.	209	136

* New Series.

† New Series. Base : 1949=100.

54. Retail Price Index Numbers ("C" Series)

Base : Weighted Average for six Capital Cities in 1923-27=1000

(a) Sydney (Group Indexes and Total "C" Series Index)

Quarter	Food and Groceries	Rent, 4 and 5 Rooms	Clothing	Miscellaneous Items	Total "C" Series Index†	
					Index Number	Increase from Sept. Qr., 1939
						Per cent.
1939: September	930	1039	841	939	933	...
1945: June	1040	1043	1410	1163	1141	22
1947: June	1096	1044	1540	1187	1194	28
1949: June	1384	1048	1980	1347	1425	53
1950: June	1518	1049	2307	1446	1564	68
1951: June	1943	1051	2819	1689	1875	101
1952: March	2526	1059	3025	1877	2167	132
June	2727	1089	3098	1997	2284	145
September	2705	1137	3125	2020	2298	146
December	2657	1188	3214	2024	2312	148
1953: March	2664	1245	3246	2039	2338	151
June	2669	1274	3305	2044	2360	153
September	2758	1287	3276	2039	2388	156
December	2751	1299	3263	2040	2385	156
1954: March	2738	1318	3280	2051	2391	156

(b) Districts of New South Wales (Total "C" Series Index)

Quarter	Sydney	Newcastle	Broken Hill	Goulburn	Bathurst	Five Towns*
1939: September	933	897	493	914	881	930
1945: June	1141	1099	1193	1111	1089	1138
1947: June	1194	1150	1237	1160	1147	1191
1949: June	1425	1393	1504	1421	1393	1424
1950: June	1564	1519	1646	1555	1522	1562
1951: June	1875	1853	1939	1858	1825	1874
1952: March	2167	2115	2246	2148	2094	2164
June	2284	2231	2360	2277	2228	2281
September	2298	2241	2390	2253	2263	2295
December	2312	2248	2379	2248	2289	2308
1953: March	2338	2268	2385	2260	2317	2332
June	2360	2283	2397	2292	2354	2354
September	2388	2306	2426	2328	2382	2382
December	2385	2323	2434	2328	2401	2381
1954: March	2391	2327	2432	2318	2393	2386

*Weighted average for foregoing five towns.

† Comprising foregoing groups.

55. Basic Wage : Sydney, Adult Males

Month of Change.	Amount per week.	Month of Change.	Amount per week.	Month of Change.	Amount per week.	Month of Change.	Amount per week.
	s.		s.		s.		s.
1939: June	82	1943: Feb.	98	1946: Aug.	100	1950: Feb.	135
Sept.	81	May	98	Nov.	101	May	138
Dec.	82	Aug.	100	Dec.*	108	Aug.	142
1940: Feb.	82	Nov.	99	1947: Feb.	108	Nov.	146
May	83	1944: Feb.	99	May	110	Dec.*	165
Aug.	85	May	99	Aug.	110	1951: Feb.	173
Nov.	85	Aug.	99	Nov.	112	May	180
1941: Feb.	88	Nov.	99	1948: Feb.	114	Aug.	193
May	88	1945: Feb.	99	May	116	Nov.	207
Aug.	89	May	98	Aug.	120	1952: Feb.	216
Nov.	89	Aug.	98	Nov.	122	May	223
1942: Feb.	91	Nov.	99	1949: Feb.	124	Aug.	235
May	93	1946: Feb.	99	May	127	Nov.	237
Aug.	95	May	99	Aug.	130	1953: Feb.	238
Nov.	97			Nov.	132	May	241
						Aug.†	243

Female Wages.—The minimum wage per week payable (Sydney) to adult females was:—

1950: Dec. 123s. 6d.	1951: Feb. 129s. 6d.	1952: Feb. 162s.	1953: Feb. 178s. 6d.
	May 135s.	May 167s.	May 180s. 6d.
	Aug. 144s. 6d.	Aug. 176s.	†Aug. 182s.
	Nov. 155s.	Nov. 177s. 6d.	

* As a result of judgments of the Commonwealth Arbitration Court, special increases were awarded: in December, 1946, 7s. and in December, 1950, 19s.

† Current June, 1954. In September, 1953, the Commonwealth Arbitration Court abolished quarterly adjustments.

56. Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rates and Average Weekly Hours of Labour, New South Wales

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. The nominal wage and hour figures are in course of revision. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

End of Month	Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rate				Average Weekly Standard Working Hours	
	Amount—shillings		Index Number			
	Adult Males	Adult Females	Adult Males*	Adult Females†	Adult Males	Adult Females
1939: Sept.	95.8	52.7	1870	1939	44.0	43.9
1945: Sept.	121.1	72.3	2362	2660	43.5	43.9
1947: June‡	132.7	82.3	2589	3029	43.5	43.9
Dec.	141.3	84.3	2757	3102	41.1	41.8
1948: June§	149.1	92.4	2909	3402	40.0	40.0
Dec.	159.8	100.0	3117	3681	40.0	40.0
1949: June	165.4	103.5	3227	3811	40.0	40.0
Dec.	171.9	108.1	3355	3979	40.0	40.0
1950: June	179.3	114.3	3499	4206	40.0	40.0
Dec.	209.5	139.9	4088	5150	40.0	40.0
1951: June	228.6	151.0	4461	5558	40.0	40.0
Dec.	255.0	171.1	4975	6296	40.0	40.0
1952: June	270.4	183.1	5277	6738	40.0	40.0
Dec.	284.7	193.9	5555	7138	40.0	40.0
1953: Mar.	285.6	194.6	5573	7161	40.0	40.0
June	289.8	196.7	5655	7240	40.0	40.0
Sept.	296.1	198.4	5778	7302	40.0	40.0
Dec.	296.6	198.4	5788	7302	40.0	40.0
1954: Mar.	296.7	198.4	5788	7302	40.0	40.0

* Base: Weighted average for Australia in April, 1911 (51s. 3d.) = 1000.

† Base: Weighted average for

Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000.

‡ Forty-hour week under State awards from 1st July, 1947.

§ Forty-hour week under Commonwealth awards from 1st January, 1948.

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